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"IT MIGHT HAVE BEEN."

BY PAUL POMEROY.

I well recollect that night. The moon shone brightly through the light, fleecy autumn clouds, and the air was still, only a hushed murmur sounded among the trees and echoed itself in the little valley in which we lay. It was such a night as we love; when surroundings fade away, and the spirit-vision goes out into the future picturing for itself those scenes it longs for most; when memory creeps softly to our side and whispers of the past and all our being wrapped in the folds of that robe the Queen of the Ideal would throw about those who tread her pleasing paths. It was such a night when, if we must, one would choose to die.

"Death is always terrible, dear H——, and we wish to put the dread hour away so long as we can; but if we must die, how much pleasanter it is to lie here in this holy moonlight and close our eyes from gazing up to the stars, than to feel ourselves stepping out into the returnless path when dark clouds shut out the view, and the cold winds howl and moan among the hills.

"Come sit here beside me, now, and I will tell you the story of my life. I have but a few hours more to live, and, before I die, would like to tell you the history of my years. It is indelibly written upon my heart, and should my experience be of any benefit to you, then, for once, I have not lived in vain."

As he wished, I took my place beside him, for I had often longed to know how his fine intellect and appreciative soul had gone on through life as he had, only to come here, in this lonely valley of the mountains, to die.

"I was born in New England, in rugged old New England. So far back as I can recollect my home, though humble, was happy. In that land, where labor is necessary to existence and respect, I received my early training; a kind, indulgent father, a tender, loving mother directed my earlier steps, and gave cast to the thoughts of my young mind. I tell you, H——, I die, to-night, a better, nobler man, if I can call myself good from the effects of teachings I received while sitting on that mother's knee, or listening to that father's prayer.

"From youth I was somewhat peculiar. Though surrounded by all that conduces to happiness, I was not content; a vague unrest was constantly upon me; I longed for something, and what I could not tell. Of books I was passionately fond, reading was my delight; and, for hours, I would pore over some old musty volume, while my companions were off at play; enjoying it, I could not tell why, only that when finished, I laid it away, more strangely affected than before. Was I a dreamer, and did I allow a vision of things I could not obtain to creep in upon me and disturb my hours, rendering me useless to the active life around me? Perhaps I was, and yet I could not be otherwise than I was. I loved to be alone; to go out in the night time, and, beside the limpid stream, or upon the still hillside, lay with closed eyes, thinking. I could but drink in, in deep draughts, the glory of an existence I could not explain. This was my boyhood.

"As time went on apace, my longings assumed more definite shapes, and I panted to go out into the world and achieve for myself a name; not that I was filled with ambition; not but that the occupation of my father's was honorable, but I wished to do as thousands had done before me—win with my own right arm whatever crown should be placed on my brow.

"Feeling thus, I bade adieu the scenes of my childhood, and with the prayers and blessings of those I loved, went forth to participate in the struggle passing before me, and test the strength of my own muscles with those against whom I was to strive. Sorrowful, yet glad, was that parting hour; the sweet remembrances of the past came up like solemn offerings before me; tender recollections stirred the secret fountains of the feelings, and their overflowing waters moistened the growths of love in the heart. Yes, that parting time, though sorrowful, was mixed with a strange joy: I was to go forth, standing in my own power, testing my own capacity to rise or fall.

"How can I, my friend, narrate more of the past? Would that now the curtain might be drawn and all the scene be hid from mine own eyes; but I placed the cup to my lips and I must drain it to the dregs.

"From the home of infancy, childhood and young manhood I went forth confident of my ability to meet and overcome temptation, feeling that I was armed too strongly to be harmed by any shaft, however sent.

"Here was my fatal mistake; here, by yielding to this imagining, I laid aside my shield and our wary foe struck me home.

"Thrown into companionship with those of every class, and deeming all good until I saw the evil, I became a victim to the blandishments of those who cheered me on, while they laughed, among themselves, at my blind infatuation. My first step downward was short—a social glass—perhaps to gratify the wishes of a friend; then another, that I might not seem rude to those around me; then another, because others had fired the brain, rendering reason, judgement, and honor subservient to the exciting passions of the hour.

"With my extensive acquaintance with books, I became a welcome visitant in all circles of society. Flattering myself that the already acknowledged appetite for wines was solely indulged for the gratification of others, I mingled freely with the world, gaining increased assurance with each new appearance and flattered by the indications of pleasure with which I was received.

"One day, I remember it well, I received a letter from my mother, breathing the purest love and most undying confidence in my integrity and future success. *Then* I stopped and thought. Did I merit this confidence? Was I worthy of such love? I saw my course, my folly, my sin, and resolved to change. I saw that conviviality was becoming my life; that I was gradually loosing sight of the great land-marks, and drifting out farther and farther upon the treacherous waves. Yes, I resolved to change; but did I? For a time I lived again the old ways—in myself and among my books. But the demon came again, slowly, softly, with devilish cunning he cast his net about me, and I found myself once more listening to the low jest of the inebriate, or sippping the rich wines in the halls of aristocratic pride. Often the sense of my degradation would come upon me, and I would blush for shame that I was thus bound to this accursed habit, sapping away my life, eating away the foundations upon which rested the pillar of hope I had one erected.

"At this epoch there occurred a new era in the hitherto blank history of my life. I met one, and in my sober moments, in whom I recognized the nobility of a true woman. At first I respected her simply, then I grew to admire her; then love her, and I promised, God being my helper, to awaken my manhood, come forth to a new existence, and, if possible, win her to aid the redemption and bless my life.

"Happily, she had never learned of my habits, and, with my determination still strong in mind, I achieved my end.—With the frankness of youth and true love of woman she placed her hand in mine, promising at some future day to walk with me where I should walk. my home to be her home. Can I not say I was happy then? for I was. Everything seemed new; nature looked less gloomy; the energies of youth revived, and with renewed hope the work of life was again commenced.

"Oh, H——, the nobleness of that woman's love! It was pure and holy and confiding as the angels. It was a light to my path, no matter how desponding; no matter how dark the cloud before my eyes, her faith was perfect. Tired with the enchanting strife, I would go to her and listen to the whispered words of loving comfort, until the weariness would pass and her own trusting spirit infuse new life into mine. I felt that I was secure. Oh! God! I did not know myself!

"I remember it well. Almost overcome by the labors of the day, I was returning to my room, calculating upon the time when my exertions would lead to the fulfilment of our hopes. I was unconscious of the approach of any one, until a strong had fell upon my shoulder and a familiar voice disturbed my reverie with—

"'What now, old boy? turned preacher, eh? Meditating on next week's text? How would this do, "vanity of vanities," &c. You look as though you had been to a funeral for a week. Cheer up, I say, and come home with me; going to have a capital good dinner—come along, I say.'

"H——, I went home with him, and, rallied by him for my want of animation, I drank a glass of wine. That night I went to my room *drunk*. Then I fell. Self-respect was gone, and, despite the tears and prayers of her I loved better than life, I staggered on. She loved, oh, how loved me, but I crushed it all, fool, fiend that I was; I shut my eyes to all but drink, drink, drink, and trampled under my feet the noblest gift ever offered to man.

Even *her* love could not endure all this. I would promise her that I would reform; with her arms about my neck and her eyes looking into mine I would almost swear to her that my course should be changed. How useless; all my solemn promises broken, I would stagger through the streets, laughing the drunkard laugh and singing the drunkard's song. At last, weeping over me and praying with and for me, she told me that if I continued on I must bid her farewell, that she could never be mine.

"Of what avail were resolutions then? I left her to meet in the carousal, to sleep the lethergic sleep of the inebriate, while locking all her love in her own heart—concealing the canker that was eating away her life, went on her way. I did not, I do not blame her. How could she have done other than she did? Should she have bound herself to a life-long misery by becoming mine? I pushed her away from me; I compelled her to leave; I was the author of my own unhappiness, my own misery, and yet, oh, H——, "It might have been, it might have been!"

"We met and parted, I to go *my* way, she hers, henceforth our walks in life to be separate and distinct. Yet why should I complain. Had I not filled up the measure of my own wretchedness, and made my life but the most miserable portion of a play? had I not, thus far upon the stage of existence, but drawn back the curtain and prompted the actors. while all the time I felt a power within that could enable me to do work less menial and make me feel more noble? I knew this—I felt it all. In that dark, drear desolation naught but the past was mine, and that how bitter. I say naught but the past, for my future aroused no kindling of hope; no thought of joy. Others might have bright dreams, fond anticipations, I none. It was thus I went out from the joys of hope; it was thus my offerings withered ere the fires of the altar consumed them.

"Five, ten years passed on. I sank at first gradually, then more rapidly, until a miserable wretch I wandered over the earth. One night, in a distant town, I staggered against a gate, opened it and passed in. Unwittingly I had entered the village churchyard, but what were grave or the dead? Exhausted, I sank down upon a mound to sleep. When I awoke the mellow dawn of the morning rested upon the hills and answered back the sweet songs of many birds; a delightful coolness was in the air, and, as the soft wind played with the hair upon my temples, a feeling I had not experienced for many a day stole into my heart, and, hardened as I was, I bowed my head upon my hands, and the first tears I had shed for years fell down upon the green grass at my feet. I sat there long, but at last arose to walk among the tombs. Though strangers all to me I felt a strange calm in being there; as though some dear old friend was beside me. I passed around to the head of the grave upon which I had been sleeping. Great God! it was the resting-place of her whom I had loved the best and wronged the most. I sank down again upon the grave, all was forgotten, all but the happiness once enjoyed. I was with her again; again felt her warm breath upon my cheek; listened to the soft tones of her voice; mingled with her sweet memory was the recollection of a sainted mother's love and prayer. Oh, the degradation of that hour! how low, how mean I was, and yet I knew and felt that God had sent me there. I arose and knelt upon that grass-grown grave and prayed the first and only prayer of years. I humbled myself in the dust; I asked God's help, and I asked them—mother and she loved and wronged—to look down upon my repentance. They did, I felt their wings as they hovered o'er me, and I arose a new, a better man. From that hour to this I have lived as I knew they would have me live. Their presence, *her* spirit, has been ever with me, not an hour have I been alone; in the night-time she watches my slumbers; in the hour of temptation she whispers to me. And when I am gone, bury me beside her. It is dark here; give me your hand. God bless you! Fare—farewell."

I placed my hand upon his heart—*he was dead!*

STRAWBERRIES IN CONNECTICUT.—From *The circular* we learn that the total expense of cultivating 868 rods, or 5 2-5 acres, already set out—part one and the rest two-year-old beds—was $1,597, including interest and taxes on land. The expense of harvesting and marketing was $1,469, or a total cost of $3,068. The returns were 27,200 quarts of berries, sold at 21c.—$5,712; plants sold, $98—making $5,810. The profit is $2,742 or about $505 per acre. After long and repeated trials the Wallingford branch of the Oneida Community, who cultivated the above, have decided that the Wilson's Albany is the most profitable market variety, though the Triomphe de Gand, grown in rows or hills, with the runners clipped, gave very good results this season—they nearly failed last year. One advantage of the Triomphes is that they continue a long time in bearing, supplying the table from June 6 to July 10. Downer's Prolific bears enough, but the berries are too soft for market. Russell is large and prolific, but scorches in the sun and turns brown, with not enough firmness to carry.

EATING A PIE PLATE.

Obtaining liberty one day, I went right straight through the town, and on into the country till I got tired, and then tacked ship and stood along under easy sail homeward bound, until coming to a decent-looking farm-house close to the channel, I tacked ship again and stood into port to lay in provisions and water.

Found the front door open and splint-bottom chair sitting against it inside; fine-looking motherly old lady spinning flax on a little wheel, and two handsome strapping young ladies spinning wool on big wheels.

Came to an anchor in splint chair, and asked old lady for drink of water and piece of bread.

Old lady said—

"Lucy, get the boy a bowl of milk and a pie;" and while Lucy was obeying orders, old lady asked:

"Be yeou a sailor?"

"A small one, ma'am."

"Neow dew tell! my Billy's a sailor. Don't yeou know Billy?"

"Guess not. Plenty of sailors I don't know."

Just here arrived Lucy with a big bowl of milk, big pewter plate with a pumpkin pie on it. Scored the pie directly, and watching a fair chance, shied the plate out into the many weeds across the road.

Sucked down the milk, and inquired of old lady, "what to pay?"

"Oh, nothing; we don't never charge sailors for sich like. Lucy yeou take the things." I handed her the bowl and looked innocent. Lucy held out her hand and said:

"Plate if you please."

"What did you say, Miss Lucy?"

"Why, the plate I gave you with the pie."

"Oh, my gracious! Miss Lucy! Oh, dear I did not mean to—I've eaten that plate. I beg pardon. I didn't know there was anything under that pie. Oh, oh! I am afraid I'll die some time or other. Here's a dollar. I must hurry to Providence and find a doctor."

The last I saw of these three spinners they were peeping around the corner of the house after me, probably wondering if I was not a young ostrich.

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THURSDAY, AUGUST 17, 1865.

UNION STATE CONVENTION.

A Convention will be held at Ingersoll's Hall in St. Paul on Wednesday, September 6, 1865, representing the electors who have given an unqualified support to the war for the Union, who hold to the doctrines of the Declaration of Independence that "all men are created equal," and "that governments derive their just power from the consent of the governed," and who by their votes placed political control in the State and Nation into the hands of the present Administration, for the purpose of nominating candidates for State officers to be supported at the next general election, and for transacting any other business that may be deemed for the public good.

The popular vote of last fall is taken as the basis of representation—400 entitling to one delegate, and every fraction, if over 200 votes, entitling to one more.

Each Regiment of Minnesota troops remaining in the service at that date will also be admitted to representation in the Convention in the same ratio of delegates to the number of votes in the organization.

The delegation will be as follows, subject to the action of the Convention with respect to unorganized counties:

Anoka	1	Mille Lac	1
Benton	1	Morrison	1
Blue Earth	4	Mower	2
Brown	1	Nicollet	2
Carver	3	Olmsted	7
Crow Wing	1	Pine	1
Chisago	1	Ramsey	7
Dakota	5	Rice	5
Dodge	2	Redwood	1
Faribault	2	St. Louis	1
Fillmore	7	Scott	4
Freeborn	2	Sherburne	1
Goodhue	6	Sibley	2
Hennepin	7	Stearns	3
Houston	2	Steele	3
Isanti	1	Wabasha	5
Jackson	1	Waseca	2
Kannabec	1	Washington	3
Le Sueur	3	Watonwan	1
Martin	1	Winona	7
McLeod	1	Wright	2
Meeker	1		

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Union State Committee.

UNION REPUBLICAN COUNTY CONVENTION.

The Electors of the County of Steele who have given an unqualified support to the Union against the late Rebellion, and who are friends of the present Administration, both State and National, and have, by their votes, aided in placing the government under the control of its present incumbents, are requested to meet in County Convention, in Owatonna, on Saturday the 19th inst., at the School House, at 2 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of electing two delegates to represent the County in the State Convention to be held at St. Paul on the 6th inst., for the purpose of putting in nomination suitable persons for State officers, to be supported at our next election. And also to nominate

ONE REPRESENTATIVE;
ONE COUNTY TREASURER;
ONE SHERIFF;
ONE CLERK OF THE COURT.

The following towns in the County are entitled to the number of delegates set opposite their names, according to the vote of the last Presidential Election—each town having one delegate on the start, and one delegate for the first 40 votes and one delegate for every 40 votes thereafter, or one for every fraction over 20:

Aurora	2	Merton	3
Berlin	2	Owatonna	2
Clinton Falls	2	" City, 1st W'd	2
Deerfield	2	" " 2d "	2
Dover	2	" " 3d "	1
Lemond	2	Summitt	1
Meriden	2	Somerset	2
Medford	3		

L. H. KELLY, Chairman.
L. CHASE,
County Central Committee.

UNIVERSAL SUFFRAGE.

All are aware that during the last four years our government has been shaken to its very centre by intestine war, and now that the bloody conflict has been brought to a close and the dark and angry clouds are passing away, the angel of peace appearing in the heavens; the proud old eagle nestling within the folds of our national banner, and the nation celebrating the illustrious event with ballads, bonfires and illuminations; yet a small dark cloud is discernable in the distant horizon, portending that the magnificent old ship is not yet safely anchored in the haven of rest and tranquility. None dare deny that all our sorrow, affliction and devastation, as a nation, during the late rebellion, has been brought upon us by those who were determined to usurp the power of the government and establish slavery and oppression on a more permanent basis. To accomplish this they resorted to all kinds of falsehood and deception, and instituted the most barbarous mode of warfare ever known among savage nations.

Although, after a most desperate struggle, they were compelled to surrender, yet those who have survived are the same blood-thirsty tyrants as before, and tho' the Emancipation Proclamation has given freedom to all their former slaves, yet they, with the aid of Northern Democrats, are making a powerful effort to deprive them the right of citizenship, by withholding from them the right of suffrage, and bringing them to the condition of serfs, and should their traitorous designs prove successful, through their duplicity and our stupidity, they have then established the fact that the rights and privileges of an American citizen may be abridged according to his social condition, color or complexion.

The highest tribunals known to Americans have declared that the colored people of the rebel States *are* American citizens. If, then, we allow their rights to be taken from them on account of color, may not the liberties of a white citizen be as little regarded on account of his social condition? None will deny the fact; and when this nation takes the ground that one American citizen may have the privilege of the elective franchise and another be deprived of the same God-given right, we strike a death blow to our Republican form of government, and trample upon the great and immutable doctrine set forth in our Declaration of American Independence by our fore fathers, "that all men were created equal, and endowed with certain inalienable rights, among which are life, *liberty*, and the pursuit of happiness."

The present styled Democratic party are universally opposed to granting the right of suffrage to the colored citizens of the United States, and are making use of every means in their power to mislead the honest-hearted Republicans to unite with them in their nefarious designs. It is apparant to every person of discernment that it is not the color or ignorance that causes them to take this position, for the Catholics of our country and the Poor Whites of the South, who are no higher in intellect or social position than the colored man, yet they cordially invite the former to partake with them in the elective franchise. No, they have a cause behind and above all these. They are looking for power in the government, and they well know that the Negroes have no sympathy with Democracy. They have seen its workings throughout the Slave States, when they were in bondage, and to induce them to join their party would be an impossibility, and every vote they cast will be against them, and now their great effort is to deprive them of voting altogether. This is the great secret spring of all their hatred to negro suffrage, and by disfranchising them they hope to have the control of all the Slave States, as before the rebellion, and, by the combined vote of the Northern Democrats, to secure the next Presidency. They know full well that every negro that they can prevent from voting strengthens their party and lessens the strength of the loyal party throughout the country.

The Copperheads tell us that if the Freedmen are allowed to vote that the Southern man, who have once been slaveholders and are now employing them, will influence their vote as they may desire, thereby corrupting the ballot-box. To prove the contrary of this we need but to look at the past, during the late rebellion: Has the slave power of the South been able to persuade, hire or enforce them to enlist under the odious banner of treason? If they have been unable thus to do, when every power known to savages and slaveholders have been brought to bear upon them in vain, is it reasonable to suppose that they can control them after they have become free men, and at liberty to vote as their consciences may dictate? How many soldiers of our armies owe their lives to them while prisoners of war among rebels? The colored people were their only friends, and in the darkness of the night they would steal away from their masters and carry food to our starving soldiers. Whenever they could find their way into our lines it was done, and would give our army all information possible with regard to our enemies, and wherever our troops marched through the rebel States, the black man was the first to welcome us on the rebel soil, amid the greatest demonstrations of joy and gladness, and offering their services to fight with arms in their hands, or dig in the trenches for our country's cause. How many thousands of our wearied and patriotic soldiers have been relieved from arduous duty by the voluntary aid of the slave? How many hundred have suffered martyrdom by the hand of their masters because they loved Union more than its dissolution? How many thousands and ten thousands of the colored people of the South came to our assistance and faced the rebel cannon's mouth, to bleed and die for our country's cause?

Now, in view of all the sacrifices they have made, and the loyalty and patriotism they have manifested, as well by deeds as words, can we, as a christian people, and now that our victories are won, be guilty of such base ingratitude as to deprive those who have fought the battles of freedom of the glorious boon of citizenship? Is the man whose hands are dripping with the blood of Union men and soldiers, and his heart black with treason, the better entitled to the right of suffrage than one who has ever been the friend of our government? Can we do this great injustice without incurring the wrath and indignation of Jehovah?

Republicans, Union men and soldiers, ponder well before you are drawn into the snare prepared for you by copperheads and traitors. Let not our toil and suffering for the last four years be in vain, but let us learn wisdom from the past, and see to it that *justice* is meted out to all, without regard to color or complexion, and then, and not till then, shall we live in peace with all mankind, and receive the approbation of the Divine Mind.

For the Owatonna Plaindealer.

A Few Thoughts for Parents and Teachers

From the creation of the world man has known less of his physical and moral laws than perhaps any other of Nature's phenomena. He has eaten, drank, slept as necessity dictated, without a thought that he was under *law*, and answerable for its violation. Why is the earth peopled with millions of groaning invalids and perverted minds? Only because man has failed to put into practical use the Greek maxim, "Know thyself.

There not only has been, but *is*, evidently, a radical defect in the systems of education. Man, by nature, loves happiness too well to dash the cup of joy placed to his lips, to the ground, and quaff the gall and wormwood of misery, unless "the true light were extinguished, or burning so dimly as to afford no aid to his wandering footsteps, or so distantly as to mock his endeavors to reach it." Yet the press teems with the productions of the choicest minds. Schools, Colleges, and Libraries are so plenteous, that, to the casual observer, it would seem that none need be without the means of extensive culture.—But the fault lies not so much in the *amount* of educational advantages as in the *kind*. Until the true philosophy of the mind shall be understood, there can no system of education be devised and applied that shall be fully adapted to the necessities of the people.

What folly to preach to mankind of general abstract morality; to picture to them a perfect man, and denounce all who do not succeed in attaining its full stature and proportion! Is any one made the better? It is as absurd to expect it as it would be to take a green boy from the streets into a Jewelry shop and give him a watch, telling him, in general terms, to repair it, without instructing him in regard to the parts and their mechanism, and holding him guilty for not putting it in good running order. This course may be pursued till *time itself grows old*, and unless man is taught the *laws* that *govern* his mental being (and physical too); unless he is taught how to subdue his propensities, and bring them under the control of his moral and intellectual faculties; unless this is done the great mass will continue to be slaves to perverted minds; and millions who are seeking rest and finding none, because they seek not aright, will, instead of being a blessing to themselves and the world, prove a curse to both—simply because they have not been taught to know and obey their Creator's laws.

It is a conceded axiom, that to produce any great change the *youth* must be taught the principles of that change; for the mature minds are almost unalterably fixed, while the young are plastic and impressible, and may be moulded almost at will. Another fact worthy of notice, is that the aged recall with vividness the incidents of early life, while the events of maturer years, and even recent occurrences, are easily forgotten.

The *children*, then, should be taught the principles of right living, feeling and thinking. As time is one of the most precious gifts that Deity has vouchsafed to man, *we surely are criminal* if, thro' ignorance or neglect, we allow years of the child's existence to be wasted in ill-directed efforts.

In my humble opinion, the present system of education is not only *lamentably deficient*, but *radically wrong*. The common-school teacher is called to preside over minds of very different grades—in various stages of development, and these minds are to be guided and expanded, notwithstanding all the adverse influences that may be brought to bear.—This must necessarily be, so long as parents shall persist in consigning their children to the care of hirelings, to be taught during the most important and impressible years of their whole existence. We must take into consideration the susceptible mind of the pupil upon which the teacher is to play—"a curious instrument of many and strange keys and stops, capable of being touched to wonderful harmony and to fearful discord; to handle this instrument *well* is no ordinary acquirement." "What shall we say of the man who knows nothing of the instrument, but only of the music to be performed; nothing of the mind to be taught, but only of the knowledge to be communicated." To know the mind that is to be taught, how to stimulate, how to control, how to encourage, how to restrain, how to guide and direct its every movement and impulse; is not this the first and chief thing to be known? And yet, how few teachers understand the very first principles of the minds upon which they are to direct their efforts. This is plainly shown by the course that is pursued.

Almost every one has noticed the perfect adaptation of circumstances to the physical nature of the child—the beautiful progression from helplessness to comparative strength; but they seem to forget that the mind is also to progress, that in the early stages of development it is incapable of sustaining severe toil or confinement. There is too much hurrying; too much crowding of the minds with abstract rules and facts; too little drawing upon the resources of the child. The living and beautiful things in nature are passed by unregarded, while the memory is filled with prosy histories and uninteresting incidents.

There is as much truth now as ever in the old adage, "One extreme follows another." When the public mind rose superior to the power that had so long kept it in ignorance, and felt its need of education, the revulsion of feeling was so great that a banquet, aye, a surfeit, was prepared for the youthful mind.

The press teems with school-books, the last claiming to be superior to all that have preceded it. Is it strange that while the conflicting opinions of authors and teachers are presented to the mind of the child, like the ever-shifting scenes of a panorama, that they make but little impression? Every teacher has his favorite authors and his own views; and I believe I speak within bounds, when I say that, in nine cases out of ten, the first few weeks of a school term is, to a great extent, spent in erasing or attempting to erase from the mids of the pupils the instructions of former teachers.

Ignorance and incapacity on the part of teachers has tended greatly to produce the present errors of education, but *more*, the wilfull ignorance and indifference of the public! The evils of the present system of mental insruction are seen and deeply lamented by the few, but the mass of the people persistently close their eyes, or, rather, hold the "Almighty Dollar" so near their optics, as to effectually shut out everything beside. It is useless for the few to attempt any great change till they have succeeding in awaking the dormant minds of the majority, and loosing their purse-strings, after which something may be accomplished.

If fathers and mothers would bring the good sound sense and energy that they give to their daily business to this work, we should soon have this educational problem solved, and our schools organized and sustained under such a plan as would make children *love* study and the acquirement of knowledge; and instead of being driven to an unattractive schoolhouse and routine of duties, as too many are now, their minds awake, and eager, aye, hungering and thirsting to know more of this beautiful world upon which they live, and the various phenomena which surround it and them. They would hail with pleasure the hour which brought the privilege of asking and gaining intelligent, and to them intelligible, knowledge. K.

Terrible Murder near Fort Ripley.

Gen. Sibley recieved dispatches yesterday, of the 10th inst., from Fort Ripley, giving an account of a terrible murder committed in that vicinity last week.

On the 5th inst., three men left Crow Wing for Sandy Lake, for the purpose of getting lumber and hay. One of the men, named Thos. Scott, was from St. Anthony, another was named Edmund Holden, and the third was unknown. The body of Holden was found on Thursday in the river about ten miles below Crow Wing. The head and back were badly bruised, apparently with stones and a club, showing that he had been killed before the body was thrown into the river. The body had been divested of all clothing save pants and shirt. A small wallet was found in his pocket containing sixty cents in silver and a discharge paper showing that he had served three years in the 4th Maine Battery. When he left Crow Wing he had a gold watch worth $250, but nothing is known as to the amount of money he had on his person.

An empty pocket book found on the ground near where the murder was committed, has been identified as one Mr. Scott had in his possession when he left Crow Wing, and it is feared he shared Holden's fate, but his body has not been found. A ten cent piece of postage currency was found near the pocket book. Scott is reported to have had $400 in greenbacks when he left Crow Wing.

The third man was very quiet, and who he was or whether he had any money with him is unknown. There are two theories relative to the murder. One is that the wholeparty was killed by the Chippewas, and the other that the unknown man killed his comrades. Lieut. Col. Tamblyn has sent a squad of twenty men to investigate the matter and learn if possible the particulars of the murder.

—*St. Paul Press.*

SOUNDING THE ALARM.

Mr. Forney writes a startling letter to his paper in Philadelphia "exposing a conspiracy to foist disloyal members from the South into the Congress of the United States for the purpose of discrediting the National securities and ultimately repudiating the National Debt." Here is the alarm:

"The present favorite Copperhead expedient *is to demand the admission into congress of representatives from the late Rebel States, elected by such bitter Rebels as lately threw their ballots in Richmond, Va.* It is the great mission of the Democratic leaders. They are prompted to it by various motives. The Rebel Congressmen will be the nucleus of a new Democracy fashioned after the Breckinridge and Buchanan organizations which plunged the nation into civil war. They will help the men who broke the old party to resume control in the several Southern States. These reunited brethren can then proceed to repeal the war-measures of Congress, especially the odious confiscation laws. But above all, when the doors are thrown open, and the Rebel Congressmen are brought into the Capitol in triumph, THE ASSAULT UPON THE PUBLIC CREDIT AND UPON THE NATIONAL FINANCIAL SECURITIES WILL BEGIN IN TERRIBLE EARNEST. * * * *

"They long, therefore, to get into the next Congress to unite with their Democratic brethren to vote against all revenue or appropriatation bills, and boldly to raise and fight under the flag of Repudiation. The conspiracy has been duly organized, and involves more elements than the people would at present readily believe. I regard it as the great peril of the Republic. Thus it is the duty of all patriots, apart from their own interests, to be ready to meet it. Under the most plausible and deceptive theories, this infamous demand will be made. It has already contrived to secure the sanction of what are supposed to be great names. It contemplates the completest disgrace and the most astounding repudiation, in civil history. I do not fear that it will succeed; because it is only necessary to expose such a plot to bring it to shame.

Bloody Affray in Memphis—One Politician Stabs Another.

An affray occurred in Memphis on Wednesday, between G. P. Were, County Clerk, and Mr. Cameron, candidate for the Legislature. Were assaulted Cameron on the street with a cane and beat him severely, when Cameron drew a pistol, while Were seized and drew a knife and inflicted a terrible wound on Cameron's throat, severing the external stirated artery. Physicians, at last accounts, had succeeded in taking up the artery, and hopes are entertained of Cameron's recovery

Fiendish Outrage at Cleveland.

We learn from *The Clevelend Plaindealer* of a most revolting outrage committed on the person of a beautiful young German widow at that city on Thursday last. The young woman resides in Painesville, Ohio, and had been to Columbus on business connected with her husband's affairs, who had been a soldier and killed in battle. On arriving at Cleveland, where she was a stranger, and ascertaining she could not pursue her journey home until night, she applied to a hackman to be conveyed to a hotel up town. The hackman, after speaking to some friends near by, bade her follow him to his carriage. The unsuspecting woman followed and was conducted under the piers at the depot. A terrible suspicion here possessed her and she attempted to return, when she was siezed by the ruffian that had brought her thither and the three "frtends' he had been seen to speak with. Her head and face were covered with a coat, her mouth stopped with a handkerchief, and the brutal purpose of the assailants successively accomplished. When she recovered consciousness, late in the evening, the villians had fled, and she was barely able to crawl to the open air, where the attention of some officers was arrested by her moans, and who carried her into the depot. She was placed on board the 9 o'clock train that evening and taken to her home in Painesville.

The fiends have not yet been arrested, but the police are on their track.

—On the 2d inst., Capt. Carter reached Savannah from Augusta in charge of $3,000 in silver and $2,000 in gold, said to have been scattered by Jeff. Davis upon his flight, near the residence of Howell Cobb.

—The publication of *The National Era* is to be resumed at Washington, after a lapse of five years. It will advocate negro suffrage.

IN PROBATE COURT, County of Steele, ss. In the matter of the Guardianship of the minor children of Jane Chapin, deceased. On reading and filing the petition of Ezra Abbott, Guardian of said children, praying that license be to him granted to sell the following described real estate belonging to said Wards, to wit: The west fractions of lots Nos. eight and nine, in block No. nine, having one hundred feet frontage on Vine street and the same width extending north to the alley of said block, in the city of Owatonna, in said county; ordered that public notice be given to all persons interested by causing a true copy of this order to be published four weeks successively in the Plaindealer, a newspaper published at Owatonna, prior to the first Monday of September next, that all persons interested may appear at a Probate Court then to be holden at Owatonna, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of said petition should not be granted. Aug. 7, 1865.

16-4t R. G. LINCOLN, Judge of Probate.

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At the sign of the

Golden Mortar,

Is the place to get great bargains in the line of

DRUGS & MEDICINES,
PAINTS, OILS, GLASS, PUTTY, DYE STUFFS, SCHOOL BOOKS, STATIONERY. WALL PAPER, WINDOW SHADES, VARNISHES,

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PATENT MEDICINES, of all kinds,
KEROSENE OIL & LAMPS,
(in large quantities,)
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From the country, will find it to their advantage to give us a call, as we are prepared to duplicate any bills, of limited size, from

EASTERN MARKETS.

All Medicine, Domestic Wines, and Liquors,

Warranted Pure & Genuine.

☞ Remember the place: STONE STORE, GOLDEN MORTAR, Broadway.

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Rochester, Minn., May 18, 1865. v3n4m6

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AT REDUCED PRICES.

S. A. HICKCOX'S FURNITURE STORE is the place to buy, as he has just bought out the Winona Establishment; and with that stock and the work he has already on hand, he offers to his former customers, and to all others wishing to purchase, as good a selection as can be found in Minnesota, and at prices as low as can be had this side of the Mississippi. A large stock of

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With assortment of

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Made to order.

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Of all kinds.

DON'T FORGET THE PLACE:

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At the

OLD STAND OF CROOKER BROS.,

Are receiving a

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OF

Dry Goods,
Notions,
Hats & Caps,
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Which they offer at

Low Cash Prices.

We have the best stock of

CUSTOM MADE BOOTS

In the State.

The public are invited to examine our stock before purchasing elsewhere. We have adopted the

One Price System,

And shall sell only for

CASH OR PRODUCE.

Owatonna, June 8, 1865. v3n7tf

THE R. R. IS COMING!

The Iron Horse is on His Way!

AND

Frank Curtis & Co.

Have just come in ahead of the cars, and issued their

PROCLAMATION,

Granting an Amnesty to all the citizens of Steele County, who buy their goods at

Our Store,

And restore them to the bosom of our beloved country.

For the information of all, we announce to the people of this section that we are just receiving a

LARGE STOCK OF

Groceries,

Bought at

Panic Prices,

And for cash, consequently we

CAN AND WILL

Sell lower than

ANY OTHER STORE OF THE KIND IN THE COUNTRY.

Everything in our line, of the

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Will be kept constantly on hand, and as our terms are

Ready Pay.

We have no bad debts for our customers to cancel.

Small Profits and Quick Sales,

Is ou motto. Call and see for yourselves.

☞ Store, B. Chambers' old stand, on Broadway.

Owatonna, June 8, 1865. v3n7tf

GLORIOUS TRIUMPH!!!

D. Leseur,

At his old stand in Rochester, is one of the oldest veterans, and during all the hard-contested battles for the last ten years, he has been in the

Thickest of the Fight,

And has come out of the conflict

Victorious, and Without a Blemish,

And as Good as New!

Though his engagements have been bloodless, and

THOUSANDS OF HEARTS

Have been made glad through his

Commissary Department.

He has furnished them with all the necessaries of life on the LOWEST TERMS, through all his campaigns, and now, at the

Close of the War,

He has a Large Lot of all kinds of

Dry Goods, Crockery, Clothing, Groceries,

And everything else for comfort and convenience, which he proposes to sell

LOWER than EVER BEFORE!

And no charge for showing his endless variety.

☞ Come and see, it will do you good if you do not wish to buy.

Rochester, June 29 1865. v3n10tf

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HOME INTELLIGENCE.

☞ We have recently purchased a RUGGLES Job Press for our office, and a large amount of other material, which enables us to do all kinds of Job Work agreeable to the latest styles and with dispatch.

☞ *Farmers, see fourth page for reading matter.*

Caucus.

The electors of the Second Ward who heartily endorse the sentiments contained in the call for County Convention, next Saturday, Aug. 19, as published in the PLAINDEALER, are requested to meet in Caucus on FRIDAY next, Aug. 18, at 6 o'clock P. M., at the School House, to choose two delegates to represent their Ward in said Convention.

J. B. CROOKER, A. A. HARWOOD, J. W. DRESSER, L. H. KELLY, D. S. HARSHA.

Caucus.

The Union Voters of the Third Ward are hereby notified that there will be a Caucus held at the Baptist Church in said Ward on FRIDAY evening, 18th inst., at 7 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of nominating one delegate to attend the Union Republican County Convention to be held in the city of Owatonna Aug. 19, 1865.

(Signed,) RESIDENTS OF THIRD WARD.

NOTICE the alteration in Messrs. LOWTH & ELDRED'S advertisement this week.

W. ODELL & Co. have the foundation laid for their brick block, and will commence laying the brick next Monday.

ARTHUR'S Magazine for September has been received. It is a work of much interest to its numerous readers, and is always joyfully received.

DR. HARSHA has been for a number of weeks past renovating and improving his residence on Broadway. It is now in first-rate condition, and fitted up in a becoming and tasty style.

REMOVED.—J. HOUGH has removed his Jewelry business to the new Post-Office building, on Bridge street, where he is on hand to repair watches, clocks, &c., to the entire satisfaction of all his customers.

THOMAS NICHOLS has sold his residence on Broadway for $150 more than he gave for it, and started with his family for Blue Earth City, where he intends making his home. May success attend him in all his lawful undertakings.

THROUGH the politeness of Hon. WM. WINDOM we have received the whole of the Revenue Law, with the Amendment of March 3, 1865; also, all the laws of the First Session of the Thirty-Eighth Congress—1863-4, for which he has our thanks.

CROPS.—The farmers in this vicinity are having very fine weather for securing their crops and are improving it to the best advantage. We have had no rain within the last ten days, and the weather is cool and delightful.

MILLINERY.—Our readers will notice the new advertisement of Mrs. LANGLEY'S Millinery Store, in this issue. Mrs. LANGLEY is doing a good business, and well liked by all who have made her acquaintance. Her goods are of the best quality, and her work gives perfect satisfaction.

DENTAL.—Miss L. J. KELLOGG, the new Dentist, over the People's Store, is doing a good business, and is well liked by her patrons.—She is an experienced workwoman, and perfectly competent to do anything in her line with neatness and despatch. Call and examine her work and specimens.

BRICK.—A good deal has been said, pro and con, about J. W. DRESSER'S brick. Some said they would not stand boiling in water. Accordingly, he took one and boiled it five hours, and when taken out it was as hard, if not harder, than before. He is making a splendid building with them, and one that will be as durable as may be desired.

PERSONAL.—We had the pleasure of a call last week from the Hon. C. D. GILFILLAN, of St. Paul. He is a man of refined intellect, and we doubt not but that he would make a good Governor. In our opinion he stands as good a chance for nomination for that office in the State Convention as either AVERILL or MARSHALL, and so far as we can learn the nomination will be given to one of the three.

THE CHICAGO REPUBLICAN—Is the title of a Daily, Tri-Weekly and Weekly newspaper recently established in Chicago. It is edited with much ability, and is decidedly the most reliable and best conducted Daily published in that city. It contains all the daily news of our own and foreign countries. Those wishing a good daily paper cannot do better than to subscribe for the *Republican*. See prospectus.

SCHOOL MEETING.—The citizens of the city will notice the call by the School Board for a Special School Meeting to be held at the School House on Tuesday evening next, for the purpose of voting money for building suitable school-rooms. Will the people turn out and express their views on the subject? If they do not we are inclined to believe they will vote a tax of some $1500, and amend the city charter next winter to make it legal. Turn out, for something will be done.

COUNTY FAIR.—Are we to have a Co. Fair this fall? Farmers of the County, this is for you to decide. There is plenty of time now, if you will move in this matter without delay. Come together, choose your officers and make preparations to have a Fair during the coming months. Is it not time that an Agricultural Society was formed in this County? We hope you will not delay it any longer, and we know of no better time than next Saturday—the day of your County Convention—for organizing such a Society.

PERSONAL.—G. W. VAN DUSEN, of the firm of BARDEN, BALDWIN & VAN DUSEN, the "Regulator," of Rochester, called at our Sanctum this week, looking after the interest of the Company.—Mr. VAN DUSEN is a fine business man, and has a heart of large capacity.

The Company is doing an extensive business, and keep a full stock of goods constantly on hand. In connection with their former stock they are keeping for sale large quantities of Stone Coal, Salina Salt, and Water Lime, which they are selling very low. Jobbers will find it for their interest to give them a call.

L. J. Kellogg,

DENTIST, has opened an office over People's Clothing Store, on Bridge street, where she is prepared to do all kinds of Dentistry, with latest improvements, including vulcanite base for artificial teeth. Especial attention given to the preservation of the natural teeth.

ALL WORK WARRANTED. v3n16

New Advertisements.

SCHOOL MEETING!

NOTICE is hereby given to the qualified electors of the School District of the City of Owatonna, that a Special Meeting of said District will be held at the School House of said District on the 22ND DAY OF AUGUST, 1865, at 8 o'clock in the afternoon, for the following objects: To raise, by tax on said District, three hundred dollars ($300) for building, or fitting up, or providing school-rooms suitable and sufficient to accommodate all the scholars in said District. Dated this 11th day of August, 1865. By order of School Board,

C. L. TAPPAN, Clerk.

Millinery Store.

MRS. LANGLEY still continues to occupy her rooms over the

People's Store,

Where she keeps on hand a good assortment of

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And will do all kinds of work pertaining to the Millinery line. She is also prepared to FLUTE all material for

FLOUNCES AND TRIMMINGS, DRESSES, COLLARS, MUSLINS, &c.

Also, Agent for

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Which needs no recommendation, as every one knows it is the best. She has one for her own use, which she would be glad to show to any one wishing to become acquainted with its work.

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Thanking the public for past patronage she hopes that it may be continued and will try to suit all, if possible. v3n17tf

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Weekly -	2 00		

IN PROBATE COURT, State of Minnesota, Steele County. In the matter of the Guardianship of the minor heir of James A. Goodwin, deceased. On reading and filing the petition of Louise F. Goodwin, of Saint Paul, in the State of Minnesota, representing, among other things, that James A. Goodwin died intestate on the 18th day of April A. D. 1863; that he left personal property to a considerable amount, and one minor child, who resides with petitioner, her mother and the widow of said deceased, to wit: Helen, aged four years; that the personal property of said minor does not exceed the sum of two hundred dollars as your petitioner verily believes; that it is expedient to have a Guardian appointed to said minor, and praying that she be appointed to said trust: It is ordered that said petition be heard before this Court on the 4th day of September, 1865, at Owatonna, in said county.—And it is further ordered that notice thereof be given to the next of kin of said minor and to all other persons interested, by publishing a copy of this order for three weeks, in the Owatonna Plaindealer, a weekly newspaper published at Owatonna, Steele County, Minnesota. Dated Owatonna, Minnesota, this 7th day of August, A. D. 1865.

16-3t R. G. LINCOLN, Judge of Probate.

STOVES & HARDWARE!

THE undersigned would inform the citizens of Steele and adjacent Counties, that they have opened a

HARDWARE STORE

In the building formerly occupied by Dresser Bros.,

ON BROADWAY,

Where can be found a full assortment of all kinds of

HARDWARE, STOVES, PITCHFORKS, TINWARE, SASH & WINDOW GLASS, SCYTHES & SNATHS, CUTLERY, &c. &c.,

Which we are offering for sale at the

Lowest Possible Figures,

Our Motto being

Quick Sales and Small Profits.

Please call and examine our goods and prices.

We have also a

TIN-SHOP

Connected with the store, and are prepared to do

ALL KINDS OF JOBBING

IN

TIN, SHEET IRON AND COPPER,

On the shortest notice, and prices satisfactory.

THOMAS & WHITE.

Owatonna, July 27, 1865. v3n14tf

NEW TAILOR SHOP.

JOHN COTTIER

WOULD respectfully announce to the citizens of Steele County that he has opened a

TAILOR SHOP

ON MAIN STREET,

OVER THE OLD DRUG STORE,

Where he is prepared to

CUT AND MAKE

All kinds of

GENTS' CLOTHING,

Agreeable to the

LATEST STYLES,

ON THE

SHORTEST NOTICE & WARRANTED.

All kinds of

Cutting

PROMPTLY ATTENDED TO,

AND WARRANTED TO FIT.

Having had a

Life-Time Experience

In the business, in the Eastern States, he feels confident that his experience will merit a fair amount of patronage.

Owatonna, July 13, 1865. v3n12tf

ANOTHER NEW STOCK OF GOODS!

(Second Fresh Stock This Season.)

NOW ARRIVING,

AT BATCHELDER'S.

OUR LINE OF DRESS GOODS

COMPRISES MANY NEW AND ATTRACTIVE PATTERNS,

In Silk, In Wool, In Mohair, In Linen, & In Cotton.

CALL AND SEE THEM, at BATCHELDER'S BLOCK.

We Have a FULL ASSORTMENT of

Linen Goods, Both White & Brown

AT BATCHELDER'S.

CARPETS, OIL CLOTHS, CURTAINS, DAMASKS, LINEN LAWNS, DOTTED Muslins, Marseilles Quilts

and many other articles have been added to the stock,

AT BATCHELDER'S.

A FULL LINE OF

First-Class Dry Goods

Now Arriving, at BATCHELDER'S.

MEN AND BOYS CAN FIND

FULL SUITS, FROM HEAD TO FOOT,

OF FASHIONABLE CLOTHING,

Hats, Caps, Boots, Shoes, Hose, Gloves, Shirts, Collars, &c., &c.

Warranted to Suit, IN STYLE, WORKMANSHIP, TEXTURE AND PRICE,

ON EXHIBITION IN THE NORTH ROOM,

AT BATCHELDER'S BLOCK.

CHOICE GROCERIES IN INCREASED VARIETY,

(At Small Advance From COST,) in the *WEST ROOM,*

AT BATCHELDER'S BLOCK.

CROCKERY & GLASSWARE, all kinds,

Now on hand, (AT OLD-FASHIONED PRICES,)

AT BATCHELDER'S.

The Stock of BOOTS & SHOES,

For Ladies, Misses. Babies, Gents and Boys.

Is better and more complete than ever before, (ALL WARRANTED.)

N. B.—We have ONE PRICE. *TERMS CASH OR PRODUCE.* **No Credit.** We bought low prices, and will sell VERY cheap, in order to sell quickly.

☞ *WE SHALL BE PLEASED to SHOW OUR GOODS to ALL WHO CALL.*

GEO. F. BATCHELDER, Proprietor.

W. M. PYE, Cashier.
L. D. NEWCOMB, E. D. BRACKETT, EDDIE RIEDELL, } Salesmen in Dry Goods Dep't, in South Room.
A. LA ROSE, Clothing, Hats, Caps, &c.

C. A. MANNY, Boots, Shoes, &c., North Room.
C. W. BRACKETT, R. NEWCOMB, ED. NEWCOMB, FREDDIE FULD, } In charge of Groceries; Crockery, &c., W. Room. Cash Boys.

Faribault, May 11. 1865. v1n52

NEVER OUTDONE!

THE undersigned takes this method to announce to his numerous patrons and the country generally, that he has established himself on

MAIN STREET,

IN THE

Cabinet Business,

And is prepared to furnish all who may call, with every variety of

BUREAUS,
BEDSTEADS, of all kinds and prices,
EXTENSION TABLES,
CENTRE TABLES,
CARD TABLES,
FALL-LEAF TABLES, &c.,

CHEAPER

Than can be sold in the State. Also, all kinds of

CHAIRS,

Down to the very latest styles, such as WINDSOR, ROCKING, CANE-SEAT, OFFICE, &c.

Our work is WARRANTED, and made of the BEST MATERIAL, and warranted to give entire satifaction.

We also have, in connection with the above,

COFFINS,

OF ALL DESCRIPTIONS,

And the latest styles kept constantly on hand. We have on hand the best styles of

METALLIC COFFINS,

Which we will sell as cheap as can be had in Eastern cities.

☞ Strict attention paid to orders and attendance on funerals.

Feeling grateful for former patronage, we hope by keeping the best of ware, and selling at low prices, to merit a continuance of the same.

J. F. HANNA.

Owatonna, Aug. 3, 1865. v3n15tf

FLOUR AND FEED STORE.

THE undersigned wishes to give notice to the public that he has purchased the

FEED STORE,

formerly owned by A. R. Gill, on

MAIN STREET,

where he will keep on hand the best quality of

Flour, Provender, Oats, Corn, & Vegetables

of all kinds, which will be sold as cheap as can be had in the city. All kinds of

PRODUCE

taken in exchange at the market price.

J. S. DERBY.

Owatonna, April 27, 1865. v3n1tf

TAKEN UP.

CAME into the enclosure of the subscriber, on the 2d inst., ONE CREAM-COLORED MARE, about eight years old, with black mane and tail; left fore foot white. The owner is requested to call, prove property, pay charges and take her away.

JAMES CAREY.

Aurora, Minn., Aug. 10, 1865. 16-3t

FOR SALE.

Lots 3 and 4 in Block 12, with a good house upon them. There is a large assortment of fruit trees, and a good garden on the premises. It will be sold reasonable, for cash. C. H. CROWTHER.

Owatonna, Ju 27, 1865. 14m1

No. 3, No. 3, No. 3, No. 3.

"REGULATOR!"

No. 3, No. 3, No. 3.

THE "REGULATOR,"

NO. 3, BANK BLOCK, ROCHESTER, MINN.,

Has made a change in their programme, and are now prepared to sell goods at

SMALLER PROFITS THAN EVER BEFORE.

Their stock comprises a full assortment of

LADIES' DRESS GOODS, ALL WOOL DELAINES,
JACONETTS, CHECK AND STRIPE MUSLINS,
SWISS MUSLINS, BLACK DRESS SILKS, PRINTS,
SHAWLS, SILK MANTILLAS, BLEACHED GOODS,
TABLE DAMASKS, CHECKS, STRIPES, TICKINGS,
DENIMS, SHEETING, fine and heavy, CRASHES
COTTENADES, FANCY CASSIMERES,
CARPETS, CLOTHING, HATS & CAPS,
BOOTS & SHOES, GLOVES & HOSIERY,
&c., &c., &c., &c., &c., &c., &c., &c., &c., &c.

All of which we are prepared to sell at the

LOWEST MARKET PRICES,

And we would particularly invite everybody who are in want of

GOOD GOODS,

To call at our Store, and

EXAMINE OUR GOODS AND PRICES,

And satisfy yourselves that the "REGULATOR" is the

PLACE TO GET BARGAINS!

☞ We are constantly receiving New Goods from New York and Chicago Markets, and are prepared to sell them at

Prices that DEFY COMPETITION!

Thankful for the liberal patronage heretofore received, and hoping for a continuance, we remain,

Very Respectfully Yours,
BARDEN, BALDWIN & VAN DUSEN.

No 3 Regulator. No 3

BANK BLOCK, BROADWAY, ROCHESTER, MINN

SAMUEL FRIEND,

DEALER IN

READY-MADE CLOTHING

HATS & CAPS,

BOY'S CLOTHING,

AND

GENT'S FURNISHING GOODS,

AT THE

People's Store,

Bridge St., Owatonna, Minn.

The undersigned begs leave to inform the citizens of Owatonna and vicinity that he has rented the new building on Bridge St., called the

DRESSER BUILDING,

where he will keep constantly on hand a

Full & Fashionable Assortment

OF ALL KINDS OF

GENTS' READY-MADE CLOTHING,

&c, &c. &c.

Being connected with the large and extensive Wholesale Clothing House of

H. FRIEND & BRO.,

of Milwaukee, I flatter myself that I can suit you all in

QUALITIES & PRICES.

Remember the

PEOPLE'S STORE,

SAMUEL FRIEND.

Having taken charge of the PEOPLE'S STORE, I will endeavor to please my friends that will favor me with their patronage, and satisfy them in all respects. Try me and give me a call.

Respectfully,
J. NEWSALT, People's Agent.

Owatonna, May 12th, 1864. v2n3tf.

ROCHESTER INSURANCE COMPANY,

Rochester - - - - Minnesota.

ORGANIZED UPON THE STOCK AND MUTUAL PLAN.

No Risks Taken Upon Any Other than Detached Farm Property.

Farmers will find this a safe and reliable Company to insure in. A. F. CHILDS, Pres.

C. H. FOOTE, Sec. 2-33-tf

AGRICULTU'L IMPLEMENTS!

ELDRED & LOWTH

Offer for sale the Connecticut

Cast Cast Steel Plows,

WARRANTED TO SCOUR,

In all soils, and in all conditions. Also,

Cast Steel Plows,

WARRANTED IN LIKE MANNER.

ALL KINDS KEPT CONSTANTLY ON HAND.

We have also a kind which

Turns the Furrow Either Way,

AND WARRANTED.

We have on hand the

BEST AND MOST IMPROVED

SUGAR CANE MILLS,

For grinding the corn; also,

PANS FOR BOILING THE JUICE,

We keep all kinds of

SEED SOWERS, CULTIVATORS,

OF THE

LATEST STYLES,

And all other utensils for

Agricultural Purposes,

As cheap as

Any Other Firm

IN THE

Northwest!

We are prepared to do

HORSE-SHOEING

On the Shortest Notice and in the Best Manner. All kinds of

Repairing

Promptly attended to. Shop on

SCHOOL STREET, NEAR THE STAGE BARN.

Owatonna, June 20, 1865. v3n10tf

Domestic Miscellany.

FACTS ABOUT MILK.—Cream cannot rise through a great depth of milk. If therefore, milk is desired to retain its cream for a time, it should be put into a deep, narrow dish; and if it be desired to free it most completely from cream it should be put into a broad shallow dish, not much exceeding one inch in depth. The evolving of cream is facilitated by a rise and retarded by a fall of temperature. At the usual temperature of the diary—50° Fahrenheit—all the cream will probably rise in thirty-six hours; but at 70° will perhaps rise in half that time, and when the milk is kept near the freezing point the cream will rise very slowly, because it becomes solidified. In wet and cold weather milk is less rich than in dry and warm. The season has its effects. The milk in Spring is supposed to be the best for drinking, and hence it would be the best for calves; in Summer it is best suited for cheese, and in Autumn, the butter keeping better than that of Summer, the cows less frequently milked give richer milk, and consequently more butter. The morning's milk is richer than that of the evening. The last drawn milk, the "strippings," at each milking, and at all times and seasons, is richer than that first "milked," which is ever the poorist.

KINDNESS TO COWS.—A Correspondent writes on this subject to the Country Gentlemen as follows:—"Cows should always be treated kindly, and as far as possible always have the same milker. A fractious man should not be allowed to handle a spirited cow. Kindness and gentleness are always best; beating and pounding should not be tolerated. If a cow or heifer persist in kicking under kind treatment, take a small rope and quietly fasten around the opposite fore foot, thence bring it over the back to hang by the milker; when she kicks again, without saying a word, draw her foot up to her body. You can now handle her as you please. She will struggle to release her foot, but to no purpose, and will soon crouch to the floor. Now let her get up again, and pet her a little. If she kicks again repeat the operation as often, and you will soon find she will not move a foot while you are milking, unless there is some irritating cause like sore teats or sharp finger-nails."

TO HIVE A SWARM OF BEES.—Mr. Jones of Dutchess Co., N.Y., communicates a convenient way of hiving a swarm of bees. He says:—"Take a long pole and make the small end bulky by wrapping paper around it, make it about as thick as a man's arm, and half as long; then bind a black cloth around it, (I draw an old woolen stocking over it,) and secure it with a cord, then when the bees are swarming, as soon as they attempt to settle, put that end of the pole in the place where they are about lighting, and usually they settle on it immediately, but should they persist in settling on the limb, or whatever it is, jar it, so as to disturb them, and they will leave it for the pole; then lay it gently down and set the hive over them. Sometimes when fastened pretty firmly on the pole it is expedient to shake it a little to make them leave it for the hive. We have tried this plan for years, and have seldom failed in bringing them down.—*American Agriculturist.*

REMEDY FOR BLOAT IN CATTLE.—The term bloat signifies a gaseous distention of the stomach and bowels; it is occasioned by the evolution of gas from food in a state of fermentation, which results from an impaired state of the digestive functions. The best remedy for the same is as follows:—Dissolve, in a quart of warm water, about two ounces of hypo-sulphite of soda; then add two ounces of fluid extract of ginger, and drench the animal with the same; give enemas of soap-suds about every twenty minutes, or until the animal passes flatus from the rectum, when immediate relief is the result. Every farmer should keep a supply of the hypo-sulphite of soda on hand; it is a valuable medicine for flatulency or windy distensions in all its forms, and combined with a small quantity of ginger and golden seal, it makes and efficient remedy for colic in horses.—*Boston Cultivator.*

BLACKBERRY SYRUP.—Make a simple syrup of a pound of sugar to each pint of water, boil it until it is rich and thick, then add to it as many pints of the expressed juice of ripe blackberries as there are pounds of sugar; put half a nutmeg grated to each quart of the syrup; let it boil 15 or 20 minutes; then add to it half a gill of fourth proof brandy for each quart of syrup; set to become cold; then bottle it for use. A tablespoonful for a child or a wineglass for an adult, is a dose.

NEW STORE.

W. L. Gaylord

Has recently opened a

DRY GOODS

AND

VARIETY STORE,

ON

BROADWAY, OWATONNA,

Where may be found as rich a variety of

LADIES DRESS GOODS

AND

TRIMMINGS,

SHAWLS, MANTILLAS,

&c., as can be had in

SOUTHERN MINNESOTA.

ALSO,

A LARGE STOCK

OF

Mens' and Boys'

BOOTS & SHOES,

And any quantity of

LADIE'S GAITERS,

SHOES, SLIPPERS, &c., &c

ALSO,

A SUPERIOR STOCK

OF

READY-MADE CLOTHING,

OF ALL SIZES,

AND

A GENERAL STOCK

OF

HARDWARE,

All of which we propose to sell at as low figures as can be had in the State,

Without Exception.

We shall be happy to exhibit our stock of good to all who may favor us with a call.

PRODUCE TAKEN

AT THE

MARKET PRICE

IN

EXCHANGE FOR GOODS.

Owatonna, Jan. 19 1865. v2n3t9f

CASH HARDWARE STORE!

AT ROCHESTER,

Wholesale & Retail.

A. Ozmun & Son,

at the sign of the

BIG PADLOCK,

Keep constantly on hand a large and well selected stock of

Shelf & Heavy Hardware,

Consisting in part of

IRON, NAILS, GLASS, STOVES & TIN WARE, AXES, SHOVELS & SPADES, CHAINS, THIMBLE SKEINS, SAD IRONS, SPRINGS & AXLES, FILES & RASPS, SCYTHES & SNATHS, STRAP & T HINGES, ROPE, TABLE & POCKET CUTLERY, LOCKS & LATCHES, BUTTS AND SCREWS, WHIPS & LASHES, BRUSHES, all kinds of BUILDING MATERIAL, FARMING IMPLEMENTS, CARPENTERS TOOLS, BLACKSMITH'S TOOLS, AND BLOSSBURG COAL.

In short, we intend to keep everything usually kept in a First-Class Establishment.

☞ We buy for CASH and sell for CASH.

☞ Have but ONE PRICE, and that always as low as the very lowest. We are Agents for

Fairbank's Scales,

and sell them at Chicago Prices. Also Agents for the celebrated

"PEACEMAKER" COOK STOVE,

The best in use. Manufacturers of all kinds of

Tin, Copper & sheet Iron Ware.

Thankful for the liberal patronage of the past, we hope, by fair and honorable dealing, to merit a share for the future.

☞ Remember the place—Sign of the Padlock

A. OZMUN & SON.

Rochester, Minn., June 1, 1865. v3n6m5

NEW MILLINERY STORE.

MRS. H. A. LANGLEY would announce to the citizens of Owatonna, that she has lately returned from the East with a

Large & Fashionable Stock

OF

LADIES' BONNETS AND TRIMMINGS,

wich will be sold at reasonable rates. All kinds of

MILLINERY WORK

done on the shortest notice, and agreeable to the latest improved styles. ☞ Shop over the People's Store, on Bridge Street. v3n2tf

FARM FOR SALE.

80 ACRES in the N ½ of N W ¼ of Section 13, situated in the town of Deerfield, with some improvements. To be sold cheap. For further particulars apply to ARTHUR McMELLEN.

Deerfield, June 15, 1865. 8tf

FOR THE EAST!

CHICAGO, PRA. DU CHIEN & ST. PAUL

Railway and Packet Line

From all points on the

UPPER MISSISSIPPI RIVER

TO

Madison, Janesville, Milwaukee, Chicago,

and all points

EAST AND SOUTH!

TWO EXPRESS TRAINS LEAVE PRAIRIE DU CHIEN DAILY.

Connecting at Janesville with the Chicago and North Western Railway through to Milwaukee or Chicago

Without Change of Cars,

Making direct connections

AT MILWAUKEE — With Detroit & Milwaukee R. R. and Steamship Line.

AT CHICAGO — With all Trains for the East & South.

The Splendid Steamers

OF THE

NORTH WESTERN PACKET LINE

Make sure Connections at Pra. du Chien with Morning Express Train,

Arriving at Milwaukee and Chicago in time to connect with evening trains for the East and South

Passengers from points above La Crosse by this route get a FULL NIGHT'S REST on Steamers, and breakfast on board at a seasonable hour.

THROUGH TICKETS to all important points can be obtained at all points on the River.

Call for Tickets via Prairie du Chien.

Fare as low as by any Other Route.

Baggage Checked Through from Pra. du Chien to all Important Points.

E. P. BACON, Gen. Ticket Agt. WM. JERVIS, Superintendent.

NEW SKIRT FOR 1865.

THE GREAT INVENTION OF THE AGE IN

HOOP SKIRTS.

J. W. BRADLEY'S New Patent DUPLEX ELLIPTIC (or double) SPRING SKIRT.

WESTS', BRADLEY & CARY, (late J. I. & J. O. West,) SOLE PROPRIETORS and MANUFACTURERS, 97 Chambers and 79 and 81 Reade Sts., New York.

THIS INVENTION consists of DUPLEX (or two) Elliptic Steel Springs, ingeniously Braided Tightly and Firmly together, edge to edge, making the toughest, most flexible Elastic and Durable Spring ever used. They seldom bend or breake like the Single Springs, and consequently preserve their perfect and beautiful shape twice as long as any other Skirt.

The WONDERFUL FLEXIBILITY and Great Comfort and pleasure to any lady wearing the Duplex Elliptic Skirt will be experienced particularly in all Crowded Assemblies, Operas, Carriages, Railroad Cars, Church Pews, Arm Chairs, for Promenade and House Dress, as the Skirt can be folded, when in use, to occupy a small place as easily as a Silk or Muslin Dress.

A lady having enjoyed the pleasure, comfort, and great convenience of wearing the "Duplex Elliptic Steel Spring Skirt" for a single day, will never afterwards willingly dispense with their use. For Children, Misses, and Young Ladies, they are superior to all others.

They are the best quality in every part, and unquestionably the Lightest, Most Desirable, Comfortable, and Economical Skirt ever made.

For Sale in all First-Class Stores in this city, and throughout the United States, and Canadas, Havana de Cuba, Mexico, South America, and the West Indies. v3n1-13t

INQUIRE FOR THE DUPLEX ELLIPTIC SKIRT.

Meat Market,

BRIDGE STREET, OWATONNA.

The undersigned having purchased the interest of

PEPPER & SCRUBY,

In the old Meat Market, on Bridge Street, respectfully inform the inhabitants of Steele County that they intend keeping on hand an ample supply of

Beef, Pork, Mutton, Sausages, Chickens, Turkeys, &c., &c.,

Of the best quality, and trust, by a careful attention to the wants of their customers, to merit a continuance of the patronage heretofore bestowed upon the old firm.

N. B.—CASH paid for

Hides, Pork, Turkeys, Chickens.

O. CRANDALL
WM. PEPPER.

Owatonna, Oct. 20th, 1864. v2n46tf

MILLINERY

—AND—

Dress-Making!

The Subscriber would inform his friends and the public generally, that he has purchased the STOCK OF GOODS and rented the store lately occupied by

S. B. BROCKWAY,

and that we will constantly keep on hand a good assortment of

MILLINERY,

DRESS,

And Fancy Goods!

The services of Competent and Tasteful MILLINERS and DRESS MAKERS will be secured. We shall aim to give satisfaction to all who may trust their work to our care.

We are this week receiving

NEW GOODS,

consisting of **BONNETS, HATS, SHAKERS, RIBBONS, PRINTS, DELAINES, LAWNS, SHAWLS, &c.,** and shall sell them at the very lowest prices. J H WINTER.

Faribault, April 10, 1865. 51tf

DRUG STORE.

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DOCT. D. S. HARSHA, would announce to the public that he still continues at his old stand to keep a well selected stock of

DRUGS, MEDICINES, &c., ALSO HOW'S & STEVENS' CELEBRATED FAMILY

Dye Colors,

Pure Native Grape Wine and Liquors, STRICTLY FOR MEDICINAL PURPOSES, and other articles usually kept in Drug Stores. All of which will be sold at the lowest cash price. n3-tf D. S. HARSHA.

Owatonna, May 14th 1863.

New Musical

AND

Jewelry Store.

D. STEVENS

Would announce to the people of Steele County that he keeps a large quantity of

MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS

Constantly on hand, of the best qualities, comprising

Prince & Co. Melodeons, of Buffalo, N. Y., O. F. Wilder's Melodeons, St. Paul, &c., &c.

Agent for the

EMPIRE SEWING MACHINE.

Also, Wholesale and Retail dealer in

WATCHES & JEWELRY

WATCHES REPAIRED ON SHORTEST NOTICE AND WARRANTED IN ALL CASES.

Main Street, opposite the National Hotel.

Faribault, August 4th, 1864. v2n15tf

THE OLD FLAG STILL WAVES!

THE GOOD OLD TIME HAS COME!

To all who buy their goods of

J. P. GURR,

At Rice Lake, where he keeps a large stock of

DRY GOODS

Consisting in part of

SHAWLS,

PRINTS, best qualities at 25 cts.

DE LAINES,

SUMMER CLOTHING,

FACTORY, Bleached and Unbleached, from 30 to 35 cts., and other things in proportion.

A good assortment of

HOOP SKIRTS, BOOTS & SHOES, READY-MADE CLOTHING, CROCKERY GLASS WARE, SASH & WINDOW GLASS, TIN WARE.

ALL KINDS OF

FARMING UTENSIL, Nails, YANKEE NOTIONS

Also a fine assortment of

GROCERIES!

Of all kinds, and almost everything for

FAMILY USE!

Which we are selling as cheap as any

Store in the West.

We sell for **READY PAY,** and give the

HIGHEST MARKET PRICE

for all kinds of Country Produce.

Rice Lake, June 16th, 1864. v2n8tf

The Winona & St. Peter

RAILROAD COMPANY

OFFER FOR SALE

150,000 ACRES

of their lands, situated in the Counties of

WINONA, HOUSTON, WABASHA, OLMSTED, FILLMORE, DODGE, MOWER, GOODHUE, RICE, STEELE, AND FREEBORN.

The Winona & St. Peter Railroad Lands are all situated within

FIFTEEN MILES

of its Road, which extends through the

RICHEST PORTION of SOUTHERN MINNESOTA.

For all purposes of Agriculture, these lands cannot be excelled. The farms are sold in tracts of

FORTY ACRES AND UPWARDS,

For Cash or on Credit,

a liberal deduction being made to those wishing to purchase for cash.

Maps showing the exact location of the lands, can be seen at the office, and full information on all points will be furnished, on application, in person or by letter, to

LAND COMMISSIONER,
Winona & St. Peter Railroad Co.,
49tf Winona, Minn.

PIANOS & MELODEONS!

Harmoniums, Church and

SCHOOL ORGANS!

AT MANUFACTURERS RETAIL PRICES.

A Liberal Discount to Ministers, Churches, Schools and Teachers!

THE undersigned is Agent for the best manufacture of the above Instruments in the United States, all of which are fully warranted for 5 years.

☞ TERMS CASH! ☜

☞ Apply, or address me, at Medford, Steele Co. Minn. [v2n10y1] W. E. HAWLEY.

BILLIARDS! BILLIARDS!!

CHARLES SHOEN

Gives notice that he will open a

BILLIARD SALOON

Next Saturday, on Main Street, for the accommodation of those who wish to participate in such exercises. A **RESTAURANT** will be opened also at the same place for those who may desire.

Refreshments on reasonable terms. Everything will be conducted in a neat and orderly manner, and agreeable to the rules of such houses.

Owatonna, June 30th, 1864. v2n10t

WILLCOX & GIBBS SEWING MACHINE

WILL STITCH, HEM, FELL, TUCK, CORD, *Bind, Braid, Quilt,* and *Embroider* beautifully. It will, with the *finest* needle and thread, run from perfect work on the finest Nainsook, over the heaviest beaver cloth and cowhide, with *no* change of needle, thread or tension.

Will use coarse *cotton, linen, silk* and *twine.* It runs easier, faster and stiller than any other machine. It forms a flat, even and elastic seam, differing from every other stitch, each loop being *twisted* by means of the

ROTATING HOOK,

and drawing the twist *into the goods,* thus securely fastening every stitch, so that the seam will bear to be cut at frequent intervals, and in that case even, the seam is warranted NOT TO RIP in wear, and under all circumstances to "*survive the washtub.*" Old worn out garments, bosoms, pants, dresses, &c., have been submitted to Committees at FAIRS where was the *greatest competition,* and to THIS STITCH premiums have been awarded for its SUPERIORITY, DURABILITY, ELASTICITY and BEAUTY.

A Patented Device *prevents the possibility of the machine being run in the wrong direction,* or the balance wheel ever wearing or touching the dress. By another ingenious Patent improvement,

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"Thee musn't talk to much, my boy, or thee will be too weary to sleep to-night."

"Well, nurse, as I was watching the shadows from the sycamore trees dancing in and out of the window to-day, something like a dream came over me, and I thought I was a little boy again, living in that old brown homestead down by the sea.

"Oh! how grandly the waves used to roll over the white, pebbly beach; how they used to crash and roar around the foot of the gray rocks, where sister and I used to play so many long hours. Little Abbie! with her flaxen curls and laughing, violet eyes, how I loved her. What golden hours those were when we built our shell-houses on the sand, tossed our wicker boats into the midst of the wild waves, or, from the top of some jutting cliff, watched the light-house fire blazing out into the darkness of the ocean.

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"Father was a stern, haughty man, with a high spirit, but no tenderness of heart. He was engrossed in his books, and we were left almost entirely to ourselves.

"I remember one dark night, we were standing on one of the great rocks near the house, looking at our favorite star—the lamp in the light-house tower—when suddenly it went out, and over land and sea all was thick, black darkness. Abbie shuddered, and drew closer to me whispering half-fearfully—

"Oh! Arthur, that black sea is just like our home now since mother died, there isn't one ray of light there.'

"Yes, Abbie, there is *one* ray left—the love of my sweet, my only sister.'

"And standing there in the solemn darkness of the night, I promised God and my heart, that our home's one sunbeam should never be dimmed—that my life should be to hers a wealth of love and glory. Oh! God, if I had only kept that vow."

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"No, nurse." the tone was less excited but more plaintive, now, "you must let me talk a little more, or it will be too late. The rest I have to tell is so painful, I shall not linger over it long.

"At fourteen father sent me to the city, 'to become a man,' he said. I was 'too old to be dreaming over rocks and waves, scribbling poetry, and learning girl's lessons.' It was very true, but my early training had not fitted me for the life I was about to enter.

"Try and forget all the foolish nonsense you and sis have learned, and remember, boy, you must be a millionaire some day, if you do commence as a clerk.' These were his only parting words, and with this *God-speed* I left home.

"I needn't tell you, nurse, how I fell into temptation, for you know as well as I, the allurements of a great city. At first the memory of my sister kept me safe; her arms seemed to hold me back from evil; her sweet voice was ever ringing in my ears her farewell words, 'be good, brother, for my sake and our dead mother's,' but after while I forgot even these, and reckless as a boy of sixteen could be. I drank, swore, gambled, as I saw my vicious companions do. I forgot Abbie, mother, God.

"At last I forged a note on my employer; it was soon discovered, but being a friend of father's, he sent word to him, and by his gold, or some other means, I know not what, I was saved from prison.

"Oh! nurse, that news when it reached home broke Abbie's heart. Always delicate, pining like a caged bird after I left home, the stroke was too much for her, and soon the willow we had planted over mother's grave, swayed its branches mournfully to and fro over another one. Father told me of this when he came to see me in the little room where they had confined me after my sin was brought to light; then, with one of his terrible looks that once seen can never be forgotten, he said, 'Now, boy, you can go; you are no longer my son; here is gold, take it and live the fool's life you have commenced, but never, never let me see your face again.'

"He left me, to come no more, for in a few months he died, and even on his death-bed he never would hear my name mentioned. But from that hour I lived a new life, and though *he* never forgave me God did. I would not take his proferred money, but I went into a far State, and enlisted in a regiment that was forming there. Do you wonder that I kept myself from the vices of a soldier's life, that I often met with sneers and scorn for my 'methodist purity?' Ah! I knew too well the fearful cost of vice. On the morning of the last battle I believed I was to be killed, but all day long the cannons thundered around me shells flew thickly on every side, and I was untouched, but, just at evening, as I was helping a wounded comrade from the field, the fatal ball did its work. To-day is my nineteenth birthday, it will be my last.

"Hark! nurse, did you hear that music? It is the roaring of the waves against the sides of our old gray rocks." He started wildly from the pillow, and as her cool hands touched his brow, and she urged him to lie down again, he fell back like an exhausted child.

"Yes, yes, I know I am at home now. How the moonbeams glitter on the sides of our old brown homestead, and don't you see, they have lighted the lamp in the light-house again. It has been dark a long time, or I have been asleep, but oh! I am so glad to get home again. Some one has told me such troublesome things, I almost thought the old house was buried in a quicksand, but no, it is here yet, and father, mother, Abbie, *all* are here. Oh! it is so sweet, so beautiful. Mother, your boy was tired, but your kisses have rested him. Come Abbie, little sister, let us waader out among the rocks again, and let the foam splash over our little turrets of shells. But it is getting dark, *so* dark. Where is the lamp in the tower! Oh? if they would only light again! There, it is shining brightly now, but the tide must be up, for the waves dash coldly over my feet; but wait for me, sister, I'm coming—yes darling, coming"——

The moonbeams quivered in and out the hospital window, and shone on a marble face, smile-crowned, set with the seal of death. The breezes moaned through the sycamore trees with a sound like the motion of the distant sea, but the closed ears no longer heard it. Far away in the east one rosy streak foretold the dawn of day, but *his* eyes had opened to see the Immortal Day-star flashing its beams of glory over battlements of amethyst and pearl: and, standing there, just beyond the verge where the sea of life breaks its waves on the gray rocks of eternity, Arthur and Abbie Clare have clasped hands, and spoken in each other's hearing the countersign of the angels.

Here on earth one homestead stands deserted, its empty halls forever echoing to the tones of the stormy waters; near by, one willow droops over a triple grave; while, miles away, in a hospital graveyard, above another, newer one, stands a plain white slab, where some kindly hand has inscribed the simple words—

"Arthur, aged nineteen."

Perils of the Cretan Sponge Diver.

Capt. Spratt, of the royal vessel Spitfire, who proceeded some time since to the Isle of Crete to complete the surveys commenced under the direction of Captain Craves, has just published an entertaining volume of his experience. The east coast of Crete is noted for its fine sponges, and there are few trades that require more courage and careful training than that of the sponge gatherer. Thirty fathoms deep lies the object of search, and only by the assistance of a great weight can he descend so far. When down, the water presses on him at the rate of seventy-five pounds to the square inch, and with that great weight upon him he must keep his respiration suspended or die. The whole mode of operation is thus described in Capt. Spratt's work:

"The mode of operation preparatory to a dive is very peculiar and interesting: the diver whose turn it is, takes his seat on the deck of the vessel, at either the bow or the stern, and placed by his side a large flat slab of marble, weighing about twenty-five pounds, to which is attached a rope of the proper length and thickness. He then strips and is left by his companions to prepare himself. This seems to consist in devoting a certain time to clearing the passages of his lungs by expectorations, and highly inflating them afterwards, thus oxydizing his blood very highly by a repetition of deep inspirations. The operation lasts five or ten minutes or more according to depth; and during it the operator is never interfered with by his companions and seldom speaks or is spoken to; he is simply watched by two of them at a little distance, and they never venture to urge him or distrain him in any way during the process. It seems to a spectator as if the diver were going through a sort of mysterious ceremony of incantation.

"When, from some sentation known only to himself, after these repeated, long drawn and heavy inspirations, he deems the fitting moment to have arrived, he seizes the slab of marble, and, after crossing himself and uttering a prayer, plunges with it, like a returning dolphini into the sea and rapidly descends. The stone is always held during the descent in front of the head at arm's length, and so as to offer as little resistance as possible; and by varying its inclination, it acts likewise as a rudder, causing the descent to be more or less verticle, as desired by the diver. As soon as he reaches the bottom, he places the stone under his arm to keep himself down, and then walks about up in the rocks, or crawls under its ledges, stuffing the sponges into a netted bag with a hooped mouth, which is strung round his neck to receive them; but he holds firmly to the stone or rope all the while, as his safeguard for returning, and and for making the known signal at the time he desires it.

"Now let us notice the proceedings of his companions in the boat floating some twenty or thirty fathoms above him.—The two men who were nearest to him previously to his making the dive, but who systematically seem to place themselves so as to prevent him from conceiving the idea of being impatiently watched by them while undergoing the preparation, spring to their feet as soon as he disappears, and rush to the rope, which one of them holds in his hand, veering it out or shortening it in as the diver moves about upon the bottom; and as soon as the signal indicative of his wish to return is felt, they commence hauling up the rope with great energy and earnestness, and in a way calculated to insure the greatest expedition of assent, since the over-stay of a few seconds may be a point of life or death to the diver.

"The hauling up is thus affected: The assistant, who has hold of the rope, awaiting the signal, first reaches down with both hands as low as he can, and, there grasping the rope, with a great bodily effort, raises it up to nearly arm's length over his head; the second assistant is then prepared to make his grasp as low down as he can reach, and does the same, and so on the two alternately, and by a fathom or more at a time, and with great rapidity, bring the anxious diver to the surface. A heavy blow from his nostrils, to expel the water and exhausted air, indicates to his companions that he is conscious and breathes."

TOMATOES.—Rosella writes the Ohio Farmer about one way she uses tomatoes. She says: Take nice ripe ones, not the over ripe that are beginning to sour and spoil, but fresh good ones, wash them perfectly clean, and slice them down in large jars with layers of horse radish root bruised, or cut up in small pieces, and an occasional red pepper, or if you prefer a sprinkling of unground pepper. Then pour over them good vinegar boiling hot.

Look at them in a week or two, and if the vinegar is insipid, pour it off, and cover with cold vinegar. Green tomatoes are nice kept the same way. The boiling vinegar makes them as tender as ripe ones. Keep in a cool dry place and they will last till tomatoes come again.

"Mr. Parks," said a lawyer to a witness, "I understand you to say that the defendant is a professor of religion. Does his practice correspond with his profession?" "I never heard of any correspondence or letter passing between them." "You said something about his propensity for drink. Does he drink hard?" "No, I think he drinks as easy as any man I ever saw." "One more question, Mr, Parks. Have you known the defendant a long time? What are his habits—loose or otherwise?" "The one he's now got on, I think, is rather tight under the arms, and too short waisted for the fashion." "You can take your seat Mr. Parks."

☞ Two men both cowards, met in a narrow way, neither disposed to turn out of the road. "Give me the road," said one, in a braggart voice, "or, if you don't, I'll do for you what I did for the man who refused it to me yesterday." The other scrambled aside in terror, and when he of the braggart voice had gone by, asked him, timidly, "What did you do, sir, to the man who refused you the road yesterday, and would not get out of your way?" "Why, said the other, "I let him keep the road, and got out of *his* way."

The following dialogue on "sharp shooting" took place between a rebel and a Yankee picket: "I say can you fellows shoot?" "Wall, I reckon we can some. Down in Mississippi we can knock a bumble bee off a thistle blow at three hundred yards." "Oh, that aint nothing to the way we shewt up in Varmount. I belonged to a military company there, with a hundred men in each company, and we went out for to practice every week. The Cap'n draws up in in single file, and sets a cider barrel rolling down the hill, and each man takes his shot at the bung hole as it turns up. It is afterwards examined, and if there is a shot that didn't go in the bunghole, the member who missed it is expelled. I belonged to the company ten years, and there ain't been nobody expelled yet."

☞ The Claremont (N. H.) *Advocate* says a lady in Unity not long since became the mother of a fine daughter. A few days after, a Copperhead neighbor happening in, said to the mother, "well, I suppose you'll call it Abe Lincoln." "No," she replied, "I'm sorry I can't. Like your friend Jeff, it will wear petticoats!" Copperhead vamoused.

Speech of Secretary Harlan.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 17, 1865.

Major.-Gen. Curtis was serenaded to-night and acknowledged the honor in a patriotic speech. The serenading party then proceeded to the residence of Secretary Harlan, and after the band had played several airs, the Secretary was called out by the crowd and spoke as follows:

"I have no doubt that nothing but a feeling of friendship for me can account for the presence of the greater number of you here to-night. If any are prompted by any other motive I do not doubt that it is on account of their respect for their Government, which now dominates over our entire and common country, and for the Administration that is now enforcing the laws of the Republic from Maine to California, and from Minnesota to Texas. And possibly I may be indebted for this compliment on account of my connection with this Administration. You must not expect me to-night to develop what will be in the future the policy of the individual elected to the highest position in the gift of the American people. No one is authorized to speak for him but himself; and I doubt very much whether he now knows what will be the policy which he will be compelled by circumstances to follow in the future. We may, however, judge of the future from his official acts in the past. I know a large portion of the American people feel a deep solicitude on the subject of the probable success of his Administration; and there are those who are the enemies of this Administration as they were of that of his predecessor, who are anxious to array against him those by whose votes he was elevated to his present position. Many, I doubt not, have much solicitude on this subject. Some may fear that, now that he has been elevated to place and power, he may turn against those who elected him. Those who fear know but little of the man they have thus honored by their votes. [Cheers.] I would ask those who had fears upon this subject, Was he not nominated by the same Convention that re-nominated the lamented Lincoln? Did he not not accept the nomination and place himself voluntarily upon the same platform? Was he not elected to the second place by the same electors who chose the lamented Abraham Lincoln to the first? And, after succeeding to the chair made vacant by the foul act of the assassin, was not his first act a notice to the Cabinet officers of his predecessor that he desired a continuance of their services? And have they not continued, each with his accustomed portfolio, with a solitary exception? and that change was made in pursuance of an arrangement made by his predecessor. Did he not, when the time came, reiterate the Proclamation of Emancipation which had been issued by his predecessor, and distinctly inform the leaders of the Rebellion that they must accept as one result of the terrible struggle through which we had passed, that Slavery cannot hereafter exist in the United States? [Applause.] Has he ever faltered in the declaration of the doctrine that the Rebellion is a great crime, and that those who perpetrated it must suffer the penalty of the law unless they apply to the Executive for clemency? [Cries of "No!" and "Good!"] What act of President Johnson differs from those of his predecessor in any material point of view? Does any one suggest the policy for the restoration of the Southern States? When he came into office seven States, previously in Rebellion, had been entirely or partially recognized by his predecessor—Missouri, Arkansas, West Virginia, Virginia, Tennessee, Louisiana and Texas. I am reminded that I may include the State of Maryland also. I believe, however, that the latter State was not, *pro forme*, out of the Union. In short, may I ask: Does the plan President Johnson now proposes for the Carolinas, Georgia, Florida, Alabama and Mississippi differ from that applied to the other States I have mentioned by President Lincoln? Can any one name any important differences between the two classes? I apprehend not. Nor can any one suggest that the question of suffrage was settled differently in the States first named from the latter. Now may I inquire of the friends of the late President, those who thought his policy good enough for the American people, what cause have they to complain of the policy of President Johnson. Does any one believe that if President Lincoln occupied the Presidential chair, his own policy would be changed by himself without a material change of circumstances? If not, who has a right to complain of his successor? We may have an individual opinion on the collateral questions which have arisen, and which may arise: but we had these differences of opinion while President Lincoln occupied the Presidential chair. If they were not then a sufficient cause for sundering the Union party, and as a result suffering the country to be destroyed, are they now a sufficient cause to permit this great party to go to pieces and the country to ruin as a consequence? The party which, through the military power, suppressed a rebellion which has had no parallel in history, has now the great responsibility imposed upon it to keep its columns intact and its men massed until the disorganized States are reorganized, and a feeling of friendship and unity is restored throughout our whole country. If then, we, as Union men, have no cause to complain of the President for anything which we could not allege with equal force against his predecessor, let us see that we give him no cause to break with us. Allow me, in retiring, to thank you for the honor of this call."

Gen. Kilpatrick.

We find the following address from Major Gen. Kilpatrick to the Third Division of Cavalry in *The Raleigh* (N. C.,) *Progress:*

HDQRS. CAVALRY DEPT. OF NORTH CAROLINA,
LEXINGTON, N. C., July 25, 1865.

GENERAL ORDERS, NO. 28.

Soldiers of the Third Cavalry Division: The order has at last reached us which will send you to your various homes, and sever forever the military organization of which we have been most justly proud; and now, although I know full well that this order will gladden your hearts and the hearts of many anxious, loving friends at home, yet to me the duty of writing a few farewell words to men who are endeared to me by the strongest ties, formed amid dangers, trials and hardships, weary marches and brilliant victories, shared alike in a sacred cause, is the saddest of my life.

From the time you first gave me, a stranger from the Army of the East, a soldier's welcome, up to this parting hour, I have witnessed only that cheerful obedience to orders, patient endurance of hardships, and glorious enthusiasm on the field of battle, that ever characterizes the true soldier, and has for you wrenched from a brave and determined foe, on every field of battle, the laurel crown of victory.

I have not the words that can express my full appreciation of the entire command, or sufficiently thank officers and men for the encouragement and personal kindness I have ever recieved.

I can only say now, as I have often said before, that when worn out and hungry—ignorant of the object, you have marched and and fought through the day and, without a murmur, struggled all night through the swamps of the Carolinas, or on some doubtful field like Lovejoy Station, Waynesborough, or Monroe's Cross-Road, when all seemed lost—you rallied to the bugle's call, and by reckless bravery—such as the world never saw—rode down your foe, then, as now, I cried, "God bless the brave soldiers;" and my parting words to you now are, "May God bless you." A grateful Republic, with its great warm heart full of gratitude and love, may and will build towering monuments to your fallen comrades, and praise forever in song and story your glorious deeds; but it can know how much it owes to you and your comrades, living and dead.

But the proud thoughts of duty nobly done—that you helped to uphold the honor of our flag, and save and *purify* the nation—is all the reward you will need; and as the record of your fame is pure and spotless, so let your actions in the future be. In civil life remain true to those principles for which you have risked so much, and by precept and example strive to crush out every semblance of discord and disloyalty throughout the land, and perpetuate forever *universal freedom* and the *unity of States*.

By command of Gen. J. Kilpatrick.

LEWELLYN G. ESTES,
Brevet Colonel and A. A. G.

The Owatonna Plaindealer.

Official Paper of the County.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 24, 1865.

REPUBLICAN NOMINATIONS.

County Ticket.

For Representative,
J. B. CROOKER.

For County Treasurer,
B. F. MELVIN.

For Clerk of the Court,
A. M. KINYON.

For Sheriff,
WILLARD WHEATON.

UNION STATE CONVENTION.

A Convention will be held at Ingersoll's Hall in St. Paul on Wednesday, September 6, 1865, representing the electors who have given an unqualified support to the war for the Union, who hold to the doctrines of the Declaration of Independence that "all men are created equal," and "that governments derive their just power from the consent of the governed," and who by their votes placed political control in the State and Nation into the hands of the present Administration, for the purpose of nominating candidates for State officers to be supported at the next general election, and for transacting any other business that may be deemed for the public good.

The popular vote of last fall is taken as the basis of representation—400 entitling to one delegate, and every fraction, if over 200 votes, entitling to one more.

Each Regiment of Minnesota troops remaining in the service at that date will also be admitted to representation in the Convention in the same ratio of delegates to the number of votes in the organization.

The delegation will be as follows, subject to the action of the Convention with respect to unorganized counties:

Anoka	1	Mille Lac	1
Benton	1	Morrison	1
Blue Earth	4	Mower	2
Brown	1	Nicollet	2
Carver	3	Olmsted	7
Crow Wing	1	Pine	1
Chisago	1	Ramsey	7
Dakota	5	Rice	5
Dodge	2	Redwood	1
Faribault	2	St. Louis	1
Fillmore	7	Scott	4
Freeborn	2	Sherburne	1
Goodhue	6	Sibley	2
Hennepin	7	Stearns	3
Houston	4	Steele	3
Isanti	1	Wabasha	5
Jackson	1	Wascca	2
Kannabec	1	Washington	3
Le Sueur	3	Watonwan	1
Martin	1	Winona	7
McLeod	1	Wright	2
Meeker	1		

W. L. WILSON, Chairman.
CHAS. McCLURE,
C. H. PETITT,
GEO. C. MOTT,
JOHN YALE,
D. SINCLAIR,
A. R. KEIFER,
WILLIAM MORIN,
S. P. FREEMAN,
Union State Committee.

THE Owatonna *Plaindealer*, (Republican), opposes the negro suffrage amendment.—*Red Wing Argus.*

Mr. *Argus*, where did you get your news? It could not have been from reading the Owatonna PLAINDEALER.—We are inclined to believe that you have read it out of some of your Democratic exchanges, and concluded to heap the ignominy on us. It is strange, but nevertheless true, that "misery likes company."

We have ever held to the right of universal suffrage, and to the belief that no man, it matters not what his complexion may be, is entitled to the elective franchise. The idea set forth by Copperheads and Democrats, that any man, however low and groveling, if his skin be either red or white is entitled to all the rights of American citizens, but the man whose skin is dark, if he be be ever so intellectual, must be excluded from those rights is odious and revolting to every tre philanthropist and patriot.

We hope, Mr. *Argus*, whenever you again count on such and such journals to aid your unjust cause, you will please reckon THE OWATONNA PLAINDEALER out of the ring.

Bold Departure of Prisoners from the Winona Jail.

From the Winona Republican, of Saturday.

On Friday evening, while the keeper of the Jail was engaged in supplying the prisoners with their suppers, the two men recently incarcerated for the robbery of Gernes, on the Northern Belle, succeeded in affecting their escape. It appears that, in order to permit the prisoners to eat their suppers with some degree of ease, the handcuff on the right hand of each was unfastened—a proceeding which had been daily practieed, and which was considered perfectly safe at that time of the day. Taking advantrge of the circumstances, however, the prisoners, on Friday evening, as stated, suddenly pounced upon the keeper, knocked him down, gagged him, placed the handcuffs so lately taken from their own wrists upon him, dragged him into the now vacant cell, locked the door, and, taking the key and the keeper's revolver with them, quietly departed, and have not since been seen. The whole affair was executed almost instantly, and so noiselessly that no alarm was produced.

The unfortunate jailor was permitted to lie in the cell some time before it was discovered what had occurred, and ere he could be rescued from his place of confinement it was found necessary to break open the door with a sledge hammer. This done, the handcuffs had to be taken off with a saw, the key to unlock them having been carried off by the escaped prisoners.

These men are named John Aslop and James R. Williams, and they hail from Michigan. They were committed to jail for the robbery of Charles Gerns, on the steamer Northern Belle, early this week. They are evidently desperate charactets, and no effort should be omitted to have them re-arrested. Sheriff King was absent at the time of their escope, in pursuit of one of the Rochester bank robbers.

A Military Opinion of Negro Suffrage.

Proceedings of a meeting of the officers of the 1st U. S. C. Artillery (heavy). that met pursuant to the adjournment of a meeting held on the evening of July 5, 1865, at which Lieut,-Col. J. E. McGowan was called to the chair, and Capt. T. H. B. Correll was appointed Secretary. After which, on motion of Capt. J. B. Charles, a Committee, to consist of the Chair and five other officers, was appointed to draft resolutions expressive of the views of the officers relative to the proper status and legal rights of the freedmen of the South, to-wit: Lieut,-Col. J. E. McGowan, Majors James M. Johnson and O. M. Gross, Captains J. B. Charles, Ed. F. Brown and W. R. Story, which Committee reported the following preamble and resolutions, which were unanimously adopted, viz:

Whereas, The statesman of the country are endeavoring to determine the status of the Freedmen of the south, and *whereas*, the question of Negro Suffrage is likely to inflict on the country unnecessary and mischievous agitation, which will be seized upon as a hobby, whereon unprincipled political demagouges may ride into place and power, and *whereas*, we the officers of this regiment have had an experience in dealing with the freed slave, extending over our whole military career, therefore,

Resolved, 1. That we are of the opinion that the men under our command, and the colored freedmen as a mass, are as well qualified to wield the elective franchise understandingly, and with safety to the Government, as a large majority of the white men in the late so-called Southern Confederacy.

2. We believe it to be the hight of cowardly meanness to ask a man to risk his his life in sustaining a Government that refuses him citizenship.

3. We believe it to be a well established principle that Governments derive their just powers from the consent of the governed, and that no man can be rightfully called upon to sustain a law, or be held amenable to its penalties, when he is denied all share in making law.

4. We believe it would be highly dangerous to deny to any *loyal* citizen of the South a voice at the ballot-box, as such a course will inevitably throw the control of the State Government into the hands of parties who, though lately conquered, are savagely opposed to the United States Government, and are as bitterly disloyal as they were three years ago.

NEWS ITEMS.

—On Tuesday of last week some wagoners camped on the farm of a Mr. Harper, near Colliersville, a few miles in the rear of Memphis, and turned their horses into his growing crops. Harper remonstrated with them, when they set upon him and so severely injured him that he died on Thursday. The murderers escaped.

—A man by the name of Stoddard, in Cass County, Iowa, was carelessly handling, on Saturday last, a loaded gun, when it was discharged, fatally wounding a young lady by the name of Decker, who was standing near by. Stoddard and the unfortunate victim were to have been married in a few days.

—There are in Des Moines, Iowa, and vicinity about 600,000 pounds of wool, well handled and in good condition for market. It was clipped, for the most part, from Spanish merinos imported from Michigan and Ohio. A large part of the clip remains in the hands of producers and their agents.

—A smart chap who formerly peddled papers in the Army of the Potomac, is now worth $100,000, and is one of the directors of the Second National Bank, just established in Richmond.

—A Mr. Stone, of Burlington, Vermont, eloped last week with the wives of three of the most respected citizens of Nashua, New Hamshire. The crossed to Canada on a lumber barge, under cover of night, and were last heard of at St. Leon, Canada East, closely pursued by one of the injured husbands.

—At Leavenworth, Kansas, last week, one Joseph Merrill, colored, was causelessly attacked and maltreated by a party of Copperhead ruffians, and applying to the police authorities of the city obtained no redress. The Copperheads therefore took courage, banded together, and prepared to "clean out" the negroes generally. But the blacks in turn united, and by well directed efforts gave the other party a pretty severe drubbing in a very short space of time. No account is give in *The Bulletin*, from which we gather the foregoing facts, of the extent of damage done beyond the statement that nobody was killed. Black eyes and bloody noses, however, were abundant, while bruised shins, and damaged digestive apparatus were very common after the engagement on the Leavenworth battle-field.

—Fayette Mullen of Virginia, formerly Governor of Washington Territory and late ex-Rebel Member of Congress, in company with the present Governor of that territory will leave here shortly in charge of 700 women who intend migrating West.

—Three children of Jeff. Davis—two boys and a girl—arrived at Albany on the morning of the 14th instant, on the steamer St. John, stopped at the Delavin House for a few hours, and left on the Rensselaer and Saratoga railroad for Montreal. They were accompanied by the mother of Mrs. Davis, a white servant girl, and a man servant. The *Evening Journal* says: "A large crowd was attracted to the Delaven House, where quite a disgusting scene took place. A number of women went in, and, amid the most extravagant professions of delight and affection, repeatedly kissed the children.

—A writer in the St. Louis *Democrat*, giving the details of the killing of Rev. E. P. Lovejoy and the destruction of his printing establishment by an Alton mob, in 1837, says it may prove interesting to know that the young man who killed him was himself killed in the most barbarous manner a short time afterwards, in a fracas in a bar-room of the St. Charles Hotel, at New Orleans, and that the man that fired the roof died in the Ohio Penitentiary, where he was sentenced for seventeen years, for highway robbery, in Cincinnati.

—The Freedmen's Commission Agency of Chicago, have advices from a responsible party at Mobile, that the Rebels in Alabama are killing the blacks by wholesale, and burning their houses and churches. The negroes are fleeing to the woods for safety. Twenty-five Mississippi planters are under arrest at Vicksburg, on the charge of maltreating or killing their former slaves. They are to be tried by a Military Commission.

—A fellow named Case was arrested, tried and convicted of bigamy, at Cedar Falls, Iowa, last week. He hung himself in the jail on Friday morning. The scamp had married about a dozen wives in various parts of the country, all living. He was preparing to marry another when arrested.

—On the first day of May last there were more than 1,000,000 soldiers actually in the service of the United States. Since then, at least 500,000 have been mustered out and paid off, while obout 200,000 more are either on their way or waiting muster-out at the various State rendesvous.

—The negroes of Lexington, Ky., have appealed to Gen. Palmer to protect them and allow them the priviledge of religous worship, as against the action of the city authorities. Gen. Palmer tells them that all city ordinances against their meeting to worship are and shall be void.

—The Fenians of Chicago had a grand excursion and picnic on Saturday. There were several thousand of them. There are two regiments of Fenians in Chicago. One of the speakers declared that a blow for the freedom of Ireland is to be struck within a year.

—A Mississippi paper says that the people of that State will want, this year, at least five hundred thousand dollars' worth of farming implements, and at least another half a million dollars' worth of wooden ware, shoes, candles, soap, &c.

—A man by the name of Vaden, who, a year ago killed his neighbor, named Pendell, in Tennessee, and then escaped to Forrest's command, has recently returned, and has been indicted for murder by the grand jury of Gibson county, Tennessee.

—The New York *World*, which a few days ago was congratulating itself and the Democracy generally over the great increase of population in New York city, and prospective gain therefrom in the Democratic representation of that State, has now learned that the official returns of the census just taken show that the city has not increased in population for the last five years, but actually decreased, or at best only held its own. Of course the *World* denounces such official returns, as a fraud upon the Democratic party. It doesn't yet state, however, how it proposes to set them aside. The *Tribune* says the present census will make the population of the city about 800,000.

—Last Wednesday the town of Lyons, in Cook County, and the town of Dawler's Grove, in Dupage County, adjoining each other, were visited by a terrible tornado. Two entire farms were desolated. Houses, barns and fences were torn into atoms and carried off for miles. Orchards and fields of grain were swept clean of everything. Two men, a woman and three children were seriously injured

—Kentucky has sent 26,616 colored men to the war. By Act of Congress the wives and children of these men to the number of 23,000 have been freed, making the whole number of slaves freed, in connection with the army, 100,864.

—The election in Memphis passed off very quietly. Only 1,328 votes were cast. Dr. Leftwick (Union) is probably elected to Congress over Mr. Bullock, and Mr. Cameron to the Legislature over Mr. Hubbard.

LATEST NEWS.

NEW YORK, August 18.—The *Times'* special says the court for the trial of Wertz is being reconstructed, and more rank added. Gen. Lew. Wallace is President of the Court, and Brevet Maj. Gens. J. M. Geary and G. N. Mott. Letters from soldiers in all parts of the country, who have suffered imprisonment and torture at Andersonville, still pour in upon the Judge Advocate, offering to testify to all manner of acts of cruelty.

The Quartermaster General has ordered that 5,000 six mule teams be at once organized for an overland march from this city to Leavenworth, Kansas. They will go out in charge of officers of the Quartermaster Department in two detachments of 2,500 teams each, with every equipment necessary to make the march fully equal to Sherman's march from Chattanooga to Raleigh.

BEAUFORT, N. C., Aug. 14.—Mr. Dickson, a leading merchant of this city, recently from Fayettville, says it is unsafe to utter free sentiments in that city. Two women school teachers recently went from Wilmington to establish schools for colored children at Fayettville. The Sheriff would not permit them to land, and informed them that if they were men they would be served as people before the war. While in Fayettville Mr. D. says a negroe was strung up by the thumb in the public square and received 49 lashes from a civil officer recently appointed by Gov. Holden. Collissions between the local authorities and representatives of the Provisional Government occur continually, and the officers of the army are looked on with contempt.

The Wilmington correspondence of the *Herald* says that upon the pledge of respectable citizens to the U. S. authorities the national troops were withdaawn from Fayettville, but a result to the contrary has been of speedy development.

The Raleigh *Telegraph* says the national authorities finding themselves deceived have found it necessary to garrison Fayettville with negro troops.

New Advertisements.

Millinery Store.

MRS. LANGLEY still continues to occupy her rooms over the

People's Store,

Where she keeps on hand a good assortment of

MILLINERY GOODS,

And will do all kinds of work pertaining to the Millinery line. She is also prepared to PLUTE all material for

FLOUNCES AND TRIMMINGS, DRESSES, COLLARS, MUSLINS, &c.

Also, Agent for

Singer's Sewing Machine,

Which needs no recommendation, as every one knows it is the best. She has one for her own use, which she would be glad to show to any one wishing to become acquainted with its work.

MACHINE NEEDLES kept for sale.

Thanking the public for past patronage she hopes that it may be continued and will try to suit all, if possible. v3n17tf

IN PROBATE COURT, State of Minnesota, Steele County. In the matter of the Guardianship of the minor heir of James A. Goodwin, deceased. On reading and filing the petition of Louise F. Goodwin, of Saint Paul, in the State of Minnesota, representing, among other things, that James A. Goodwin died intestate on the 18th day of April A. D. 1863; that he left personal property to a considerable amount, and one minor child, who resides with petitioner, her mother and the widow of said deceased, to wit: Helen, aged four years; that the personal property of said minor does not exceed the sum of two hundred dollars as your petitioner verily believes; that it is expedient to have a Guardian appointed to said minor, and praying that she be appointed to said trust: It is ordered that said petition be heard before this Court on the 4th day of September, 1865, at Owatonna, in said county.—And it is further ordered that notice thereof be given to the next of kin of said minor and to all other persons interested, by publishing a copy of this order for three weeks, in the Owatonna Plaindealer, a weekly newspaper published at Owatonna, Steele County, Minnesota. Dated Owatonna, Minnesota, this 7th day of August, A. D. 1865.

16-3t R. G. LINCOLN, Judge of Probate.

AUSTIN & DICKINSON,

At the

OLD STAND OF CROOKER BROS.,

Are receiving a

GENERAL STOCK

OF

Dry Goods,
Notions,
Hats & Caps,
Boots & Shoes,
and Groceries,

Which they offer at

Low Cash Prices.

We have the best stock of

CUSTOM MADE BOOTS

In the State.

The public are invited to examine our stock before purchasing elsewhere. We have adopted the

One Price System,

And shall sell only for

CASH OR PRODUCE.

Owatonna, June 8, 1865. v3n7tf

THE R. R. IS COMING!

The Iron Horse is on His Way!

AND

Frank Curtis & Co.

Have just come in ahead of the cars, and issued their

PROCLAMATION,

Granting an Amnesty to all the citizens of Steele County, who buy their goods at

Our Store,

And restore them to the bosom of our beloved country.

For the information of all, we announce to the people of this section that we are just receiving a

LARGE STOCK OF

Groceries,

Bought at

Panic Prices,

And for cash, consequently we

CAN AND WILL

Sell lower than

ANY OTHER STORE OF THE KIND IN THE COUNTRY.

Everything in our line, of the

BEST QUALITY,

Will be kept constantly on hand, and as our terms are

Ready Pay,

We have no bad debts for our customers to cancel.

Small Profits and Quick Sales,

Is our motto. Call and see for yourselves.

☞ Store, B. Chambers' old stand, on Broadway.

Owatonna, June 8, 1865. v3n7tf

GLORIOUS TRIUMPH!!!

D. Leseur,

At his old stand in Rochester, is one of the oldest veterans, and during all the hard-contested battles for the last ten years, he has been in the

Thickest of the Fight,

And has come out of the conflict

Victorious, and Without a Blemish,

And as Good as New!

Though his engagements have been bloodless, and

THOUSANDS OF HEARTS

Have been made glad through his

Commissary Department.

He has furnished them with all the necessaries of life on the LOWEST TERMS, through all his campaigns, and now, at the

Close of the War,

He has a Large Lot of all kinds of

Dry Goods, Crockery, Clothing, Groceries,

And everything else for comfort and convenience, which he proposes to sell

LOWER than EVER BEFORE!

And no charge for showing his endless variety.

☞ Come and see, it will do you good if you do not wish to buy.

Rochester, June 29 1865. v6n10tf

The Owatonna Plaindealer.

Official Paper of the City.

HOME INTELLIGENCE.

☞ We have recently purchased a RUGGLES Job Press for our office, and a large amount of other material, which enables us to do all kinds of Job Work agreeable to the latest styles and with dispatch.

☞ *Farmers, see fourth page for reading matter.*

☞ WHEAT is worth $1.30 in Milwaukee, and 85@90 in Rochester.

WE notice that L. BIXBY has erected a lightning rod on his house. It would be wise if many others would follow his example.

GODEY'S Lady's Book for September, has been distributed, and has caused much delight to the reading community. It is looked for like an old friend, and as welcomely received.

BUTTER—Butter is very scarce in town, not enough to grease our esophagus, and bringing 15 cents per pound. Those who are disposed to favor the community with a little will receive their everlasting gratitude.

THE Congregational Society have altered their hour of service from 2½ o'clock to 1 o'clock P. M., on each alternate Sabbath, and their Sunday School is held immediately after the service, both in the morning and evening.

ALL kinds of vegetables, except potatoes, are very scarce in the city, and not enough is brought in to meet the demand. Many of the citizens of the city have no gardens and depend entirely upon the market for all kinds of garden sauce.

RUNNING.—The new Sash and Blind Factory has been put in a running condition, and they are now engaged in planing boards, floor dressing, and all other kinds of work relating to their business. The sound of their machinery is very agreeable, and enlivens the dormant energies of others.

S. PATTERSON has purchased two lots east of E. SCANNEL'S for $175, and is now engaged in erecting a building upon it for his future home. We learn that Mrs. PATTERSON has much improved in health during her stay at St. Anthony, and will be able to return by the time Mr. P. shall have finished his dwelling.

SOCIABLE.—The ladies of the Congregational Society have concluded to organize a series of Sociables during the coming season. Their first will be held next Tuesday evening at Morford's Hall. Ice Cream and other delicacies will be served to the Auditory at 9 o'clock. All are cordially invited to be present on the occasion.

BUILDING.—We notice that the timber is being delivered on Bridge street for the purpose of erecting a two story building on the lot where the County Office building now stands. The building containing our County Officials will be moved off in about two weeks, and the County Offices will be moved to the second story of WADSWORTH'S store about the first of September.

GONG.—One day last week we heard an unearthly sound on Broadway, and noticed a number going to their doors to ascertain the cause, and found that Mr. BARKER, of the Exchange, was calling boarders to their meals with an Asiatic Gong. Mr. BARKER, the next time you get a new instrument, give us a little notice or make a little less noise, or you will have all the Second Ward to dinner.

HARDWARE.—THOMAS & WHITE, on Broadway, are doing a fine business, and are selling Hard- and Tin-Ware very low, and the people are finding it out. It would pay any one to drop in and see their fine stock of Cutlery. They have the largest stock of Knives and Forks, &c., ever brought to this market, and of the best qualities and styles. Persons desiring anything of the kind should not fail to call and examine for themselves.

MESSRS. STRICKLAND & Co., the well known Book Publishers of Milwaukee, Wis. are about to publish an invaluable little work called "*The Justice's Pocket Manual*," containing correct forms and instructions for Justices and Constables in this State in any case that can arise before them. It is worth ten times its price to any officer or business man in Minnesota. Send fifty cents and your Post Office address to STRICKLAND & Co., Milwaukee, Wis., and they will mail a copy to you prepaid.

SCHOOL MEETING.—At the School Meeting last Tuesday evening the qualified voters present voted to raise, by tax, $300, for the purpose of hiring and fitting up a schoolroom for the Higher Department the coming winter, paying of teacher's wages, &c. This is a very small sum for schooling nearly 400 children until next May. We hope that our city charter will be so amended the coming winter that the School Board will not have their hands tied, but will be empowered to levy a tax sufficient to sustain a good school at least ten months in a year.

THE LADY'S FRIEND.—"Catching the Butterfly" is the leading steel engraving of the September number of this favorite periodical—and a very pretty picture it is. It will remind many of the days of their childhood, when they roamed about catching butterflies—and some perhaps may think sadly that since they have grown to riper years, they have been engaged in nothing much more important than trying to catch such other butterflies as wealth and pleasure and fame. The steel fashion plate for this number is as handsome as usual, and the sporting dress in it something a little peculiar. We suppose it is the way the Empress Eugenie and her ladies dress, when on their sporting excursions.—"Looking for Father," is a pretty wood engraving. Then we have engravings of a Lace Jacket, Mode of Dressing the Hair, a Bridal Coiffure, In-door Cap, &c., &c. The music is "President Johnson's Grand March."

COUNTY CONVENTION.—The County Convention which assembled last Saturday at the School House, in this city, for the purpose of electing two delegates to represent the County in the State Convention, and also to nominate County Officers, was conducted in a spirit of generosity, and a good feeling among the delegates prevailed.

Although there was some little strife for some of the nominations, and more particularly for Representive, yet J. B. CROOKER was given the nomination by double the votes of any other candidate, and one-third more than all the others put together.

The Convention made as good a selection for the several officers as could be made, and the people of Steele County will ratify their proceedings next November by an overwhelming majority.

Each nominee received from the Convention a fair and honest nomination, and we shall give all our warm and cordial support at the next election, and we doubt not but this will be the feeling of every true Union man and Republican. More anon.

Proceedings of the County Convention.

OWATONNA, Saturday, Aug. 19, 1865.

The County Convention of Steele County met pursuant to the call, and organized by calling Smith Johnson to the Chair and electing C. W. Curtis Secretary.

On motion, Wm. Scruby, C. W. Curtis and H. Hodgson were appointed by the Chair a Committee on Credentials.

The Committee on Credentials reported the following gentlemen as delegates to said Convention:

Medford—Smith Johnson, O. Bartholomew, Orrin Lee.
Dover—W. B. Scruby, S. C. Houston.
Berlin—L. Chase, C. A. Steele.
Somerset—Thomas Kinyon, 2 votes.
Owatonna—L. M. Crooker, G. B. White.
" *City, First Ward*—S. Hotchkiss, A. B. Cornell.
Second Ward—D. S. Harsha, W. H. Kelly.
Third Ward—Wm. Scruby.
Summitt—H. W. Mellen, H. Fredenburgh.
Merton—C. W. Curtis, H. Maw, D. Lane.
Meriden—Wm. Thompson, 2 votes.
Clinton Falls—G. W. Green, W. W. Finch.
Deerfield—A. McMellen, H. Hodgson.

On motion, W. B. Norman was admitted as a delegate from Lemond.

On motion, E. Stapleton, S. Sargent was admitted as delegates from Aurora.

The Convention then proceeded to an informal ballot for a delegate to the State Convention to be held at St. Paul on the 6th of September, with the following result:

Smith Johnson	17
J. W. Morford	4
A. Chambers	2
A. A. Harwood	1

On motion, S. Johnson, receiving a majority of all the votes cast, was declared unanimously elected.

On motion, a formal ballot was taken for the second delegate to said State Convention, resulting as follows:

A. A. Harwood	19
J. W. Morford	10

—Whereupon the Chair declared A. A. Harwood elected.

The Convention then proceeded to an informal ballot for Representative, resulting as follows:

J. B. Crooker	17
W. Scruby	1
A. Town	4
A. Chambers	6
A. A. Harwood	1

The Convention then proceeded to a formal ballot, resulting as follows:

J. B. Crooker	18
—— Clark	1
A. Town	2
A. Chambers	9

J. B. Crooker receiving a majority of all the votes cast, was declared the nominee for Representative.

Resolved, That B. F. Melvin be nominated for County Treasurer by acclamation, which was carried unanimously.

A. M. Kinyon was nominated in the same manner for Clerk of the Court.

An informal ballot was then taken for Sheriff, resulting as follows:

J. B. Smith	11
—— Wheaton	8
W. H. Sherman	6

The Convention then proceeded to a formal ballot for Sheriff, resulting as follows:

—— Wheaton	16
J. B. Smith	12

On motion of A. B. Cornell, the Chair appointed A. B. Cornell, Orrin Lee and L. Chase County Central Committee for the coming year.

On motion, the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

S. JOHNSON, *Chairman.*
C. W. CURTIS, *Secretary.*

Died.

At Hart Island, New-York Harbor, July 26, 1865, WILLIE H., son of Col. W. F. and R. H. DRUM, aged 7 years.

IN PROBATE COURT, County of Steele, ss. In the matter of the Guardianship of the minor children of Jane Chapin, deceased. On reading and filing the petition of Ezra Abbott, Guardian of said children, praying that license be to him granted to sell the following described real estate belonging to said Wards, to wit: The west fractions of lots Nos. eight and nine, in block No. nine, having one hundred feet frontage on Vine street and the same width extending north to the alley of said block, in the city of Owatonna, in said county; ordered that public notice be given to all persons interested by causing a true copy of this order to be published four weeks successively in the Plaindealer, a newspaper published at Owatonna, prior to the first Monday of September next, that all persons interested may appear at a Probate Court then to be holden at Owatonna, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of said petition should not be granted. Aug. 7, 1865.

16-4t R. G. LINCOLN, Judge of Probate.

ANOTHER NEW STOCK OF GOODS!

(Second Fresh Stock This Season.)

NOW ARRIVING,

AT BATCHELDER'S.

OUR LINE OF DRESS GOODS

COMPRISES MANY NEW AND ATTRACTIVE PATTERNS,

In Silk, In Wool, In Mohair, In Linen, & In Cotton.

CALL AND SEE THEM, at BATCHELDER'S BLOCK.

We Have a FULL ASSORTMENT of

Linen Goods, Both White & Brown

AT BATCHELDER'S.

CARPETS, OIL CLOTHS, CURTAINS, DAMASKS, LINEN LAWNS, DOTTED Muslins, Marseilles Quilts

and many other articles have been added to the stock,

AT BATCHELDER'S.

A FULL LINE OF

First-Class Dry Goods

Now Arriving, at BATCHELDER'S.

MEN AND BOYS CAN FIND

FULL SUITS, FROM HEAD TO FOOT,

OF FASHIONABLE CLOTHING,

Hats, Caps, Boots, Shoes, Hose, Gloves, Shirts, Collars, &c., &c.

Warranted to Suit, IN STYLE, WORKMANSHIP, TEXTURE AND PRICE,

ON EXHIBITION IN THE NORTH ROOM,

AT BATCHELDER'S BLOCK.

CHOICE GROCERIES IN INCREASED VARIETY,

(At Small Advance From COST,) in the *WEST ROOM,*

AT BATCHELDER'S BLOCK.

CROCKERY & GLASSWARE, all kinds,

Now on hand, (AT OLD-FASHIONED PRICES,)

AT BATCHELDER'S.

The Stock of BOOTS & SHOES,

For Ladies, Misses, Babies, Gents and Boys.

Is better and more complete than ever before, (ALL WARRANTED.)

N. B.---We have ONE PRICE. *TERMS CASH OR PRODUCE.* **No Credit.** We bought low prices, and will sell VERY cheap, in order to sell quickly.

☞ *WE SHALL BE PLEASED to SHOW OUR GOODS to ALL WHO CALL.*

GEO. F. BATCHELDER, Proprietor.

W. M. PYE, Cashier.
L. D. NEWCOMB, E. D. BRACKETT, EDDIE RIEDELL, } Salesmen in Dry Goods Dep't, in South Room.
A. LA ROSE, Clothing, Hats, Caps, &c.
C. A. MANNY, Boots, Shoes, &c., North Room.
C. W. BRACKETT, R. NEWCOMB, ED. NEWCOMB, FREDDIE FULD, } In charge of Groceries, Crockery, &c., W. Room. Cash Boys.

Faribault, May 11. 1865. v1n52

NEVER OUTDONE!

THE undersigned takes this method to announce to his numerous patrons and the country generally, that he has established himself on

MAIN STREET, IN THE

Cabinet Business,

And is prepared to furnish all who may call, with every variety of

BUREAUS,
BEDSTEADS, of all kinds and prices,
EXTENSION TABLES,
CENTRE TABLES,
CARD TABLES,
FALL-LEAF TABLES, &c.,

CHEAPER

Than can be sold in the State. Also, all kinds of

CHAIRS,

Down to the very latest styles, such as WINDSOR, ROCKING, CANE-SEAT, OFFICE, &c.

Our work is WARRANTED, and made of the BEST MATERIAL, and warranted to give entire satifaction.

We also have, in connection with the above,

COFFINS,

OF ALL DESCRIPTIONS,

And the latest styles kept constantly on hand. We have on hand the best styles of

METALLIC COFFINS,

Which we will sell as cheap as can be had in Eastern cities.

☞ Strict attention paid to orders and attendance on funerals.

Feeling grateful for former patronage, we hope by keeping the best of ware, and selling at low prices, to merit a continuance of the same.

J. F. HANNA.

Owatonna, Aug. 3, 1865. v3n15tf

FLOUR AND FEED STORE.

THE undersigned wishes to give notice to the public that he has purchased the

FEED STORE,

formerly owned by A. R. Gill, on

MAIN STREET,

where he will keep on hand the best quality of

Flour, Provender, Oats, Corn, & Vegetables

of all kinds, which will be sold as cheap as can be had in the city. All kinds of

PRODUCE

taken in exchange at the market price.

J. S. DERBY.

Owatonna, April 27, 1865. v3n1tf

TAKEN UP.

CAME into the enclosure of the subscriber, on the 2d inst., ONE CREAM-COLORED MARE, about eight years old, with black mane and tail; left fore foot white. The owner is requested to call, prove property, pay charges and take her away.

JAMES CAREY.

Aurora, Minn., Aug. 10, 1865. 16-3t

L. J. Kellogg,

DENTIST, has opened an office over People's Clothing Store, on Bridge street, where she is prepared to do all kinds of Dentistry, with latest improvements, including vulcanite base for artificial teeth. Especial attention given to the preservation of the natural teeth.

ALL WORK WARRANTED. v3n16

No. 3, No. 3, No. 3, No. 3.

"REGULATOR!"

No. 3, No. 3, No. 3.

THE "REGULATOR,"

NO. 3, BANK BLOCK, ROCHESTER, MINN.,

Has made a change in their programme, and are now prepared to sell goods at

SMALLER PROFITS THAN EVER BEFORE.

Their stock comprises a full assortment of

LADIES' DRESS GOODS, ALL WOOL DELAINES,
JACONETTS, CHECK AND STRIPE MUSLINS,
SWISS MUSLINS, BLACK DRESS SILKS, PRINTS,
SHAWLS, SILK MANTILLAS, BLEACHED GOODS,
TABLE DAMASKS, CHECKS, STRIPES, TICKINGS,
DENIMS, SHEETING, fine and heavy, CRASHES
COTTENADES, FANCY CASSIMERES,
CARPETS, CLOTHING, HATS & CAPS,
BOOTS & SHOES, GLOVES & HOSIERY,
&c., &c., &c., &c., &c., &c., &c., &c., &c., &c.

All of which we are prepared to sell at the

LOWEST MARKET PRICES,

And we would particularly invite everybody who are in want of

GOOD GOODS,

To call at our Store, and

EXAMINE OUR GOODS AND PRICES,

And satisfy yourselves that the "REGULATOR" is the

PLACE TO GET BARGAINS!

☞ We are constantly receiving New Goods from New York and Chicago Markets, and are prepared to sell them at

Prices that DEFY COMPETITION!

Thankful for the liberal patronage heretofore received, and hoping for a continuance, we remain, Very Respectfully Yours,

BARDEN, BALDWIN & VAN DUSEN.

No 3 Regulator. No 3

BANK BLOCK, BROADWAY, ROCHESTER, MINN

SAMUEL FRIEND,

DEALER IN

READY-MADE

CLOTHING

HATS & CAPS,

BOY'S CLOTHING,

AND

GENT'S FURNISHING GOODS,

AT THE

People's Store,

Bridge St., Owatonna, Minn.

The undersigned begs leave to inform the citizens of Owatonna and vicinity that he has rented the new building on Bridge St., called the

DRESSER BUILDING,

where he will keep constantly on hand a

Full & Fashionable Assortment

OF ALL KINDS OF

GENTS' READY-MADE CLOTHING,

&c, &c. &c.

Being connected with the large and extensive Wholesale Clothing House of

H. FRIEND & BRO.,

of Milwaukee, I flatter myself that I can suit you all in

QUALITIES & PRICES,

Remember the

PEOPLE'S STORE,

SAMUEL FRIEND.

Having taken charge of the PEOPLE'S STORE, I will endeavor to please my friends that will favor me with their patronage, and satisfy them in all respects. Try me and give me a call.

Respectfully,
J. NEWSALT, People's Agent.

Owatonna, May 12th, 1864. v2n3tf.

ROCHESTER

INSURANCE COMPANY,

Rochester - - - - Minnesota.

ORGANIZED UPON THE STOCK AND MUTUAL PLAN.

No Risks Taken Upon Any Other than Detached Farm Property.

Farmers will find this a safe and reliable Company to insure in.

A. F. CHILDS, Pres.
C. H. FOOTE, Sec. 2-36-tf

AGRICULTU'L IMPLEMENTS!

ELDRED & LOWTH

Offer for sale the Connecticut

Cast Cast Steel Plows,

WARRANTED TO SCOUR,

In all soils, and in all conditions. Also,

Cast Steel Plows,

WARRANTED IN LIKE MANNER.

ALL KINDS KEPT CONSTANTLY ON HAND.

☞ MR. ELDRED having had many year's experience in the

Plow Factory Business,

Feels confident of giving

ENTIRE SATISFACTION

To all who may favor him with a call:

We keep all kinds of

SEED SOWERS, CULTIVATORS,

OF THE

LATEST STYLES,

And all other utensils for

Agricultural Purposes,

As cheap as

Any Other Firm

IN THE

Northwest!

We are prepared to do

HORSE-SHOEING

On the Shortest Notice and in the Best Manner. All kinds of

Repairing

OF

REAPERS & MOWERS

Promptly attended to; also, all kinds of

JOB-WORK.

Shop on

SCHOOL STREET, NEAR THE STAGE BARN.

Owatonna, June 20, 1865. v3n10tf

Domestic Miscellany.

Employer and Employee—A Contrast.

The "hired man" is looked upon very differently by different employers. By one class he is deemed not only "a little lower than the angels," but a little lower than respectable humanity, and of course is treated in a corresponding manner. Being near the brute, it matters little how many hours he is obliged to work, upon what kind of bed he sleeps, what room he occupies, or what food he eats. Not being quite reasonable, he is not expected to understand a request given fn a respectful, kindly manner—hence he is ordered to do this or that, with many emphatic words thrown in to assist his feeble memory. Not being exactly a social being, he is never allowed to discuss with his employer, the general topics of the day, nor is asked his advice or counsel upon any department of farm management. Not being expected to appreciate what he would read, provided he was given the opportunity, all local, agricultural or other papers are studiously kept out of his hands.

Being thus treated, the "hired man" perhaps soon gains the same opinion of himself that is entertained of him by his employer, and, carrying the doctrine a little farther, he considers that he is hardly a responsible being, and cares little whether he works to advantage or not. He does not hesitate to lag when possible, to do nothing whenever opportunity offers, or to do worse than nothing when there is little to fear. He, in short, becomes a dishonest workman—a shirk. If of sufficient spirit he leaves his place at the worst possible time, when work is driving and substitutes hard to be obtained, and considers himself justified in so doing. There is always dissatisfaction on both sides, terminating in desertion, difficulties, complaints and denunciations. This kind of farmer is always in "hot water" about help, frets life away, accomplishes little, and curses his profession.

On the other hand there are farmers who believe in the *humanity* of their laborers. They do not consider that with the stipulated monthly fee they buy a man body and soul. With them the employee is a man endowed with reason, feeling and all the manly attributes. They afford him opportunities for becoming intelligent, counsel with him, trust him, and endeavor to interest him in experiments and the general welfare of the farm. They give him comfortable quarters and good food; pay him his wages punctually and ungrudgingly, Such farmers always have plenty of help and can always keep it as long as they please. All goes on smoothly and pleasantly. The farmer grows affluent and the laborer gradually prepares himself to become a proprietor, a neighbor, an enterprising and influential citizen.

The one class keeps down the standard of the laborer, the other elevates it. The one develope manhood, the other contracts and brutalizes it. The one is peaceful, prosperous and contented, the other fretful, unsuccessful and unhappy. Reader to which class do you belong? Think well upon this matter. It may be of more importance than you have imagined and may be more intimately connected than you have thought, with your success as men and as farmers.

MANURING NEWLY SET TREES.

We this spring saw a neighbor finishing on the planting of a row of handsome maples in front of his dwelling, and complimented him on his taste and public spirit, and expressed the hope that his trees would live and flourish. "They *ought* to grow," said he "for I have put half a wheel-barrow load of hog manure into each hole." "Have you?" we responded, "then the trees will die, and you may as well pull them up now and throw them on the brush heap." But he could not be convinced of his error. "Hog dung done well on the corn field and with the hops and tobacco; and why wont it on shade trees?" And so he left his handsome maples, with their roots enveloped in the powerful manure, and the result was as might have been expected. A few leaves put forth in May, but in June they turned yellow and dropped one by one, and to-day the trees are dead. The lesson is a plain one; keep away manure from newly planted trees. Give the roots finely pulverized surface soil, as can be found, and the trees will doubtless thrive. If the soil needs bettering afterward, apply manure to the surfacce in the Fall, and work it in the next spring; its effects will soon be visible.—*Md. Farmer.*

To Relieve Choked Cattle.—A correspondent of the Rural New Yorker says that he has tried pouring a half pint of melted lard down the throat of the suffering animal and has never known it to fail to give relief.

DRUG & BOOK STORE!

At the sign of the

Golden Mortar,

Is the place to get great bargains in the line of

DRUGS & MEDICINES,
PAINTS, OILS, GLASS, PUTTY, DYE STUFFS, SCHOOL BOOKS, STATIONERY, WALL PAPER, WINDOW SHADES, VARNISHES,

Yankee Notions,

PATENT MEDICINES, of all kinds,
KEROSENE OIL & LAMPS,
(in large quantities,)
SLATES & PENCILS,
COPY & BLANK BOOKS,
DIARIES FOR 1865, &c.

Physicians & Druggits

From the country, will find it to their advantage to give us a call, as we are prepared to duplicate any bills, of limited size, from

EASTERN MARKETS.

All Medicine, Domestic Wines, and Liquors,

Warranted Pure & Genuine.

☞ Remember the place: STONE STORE, GOLDEN MORTAR, Broadway.
WOODARD & ELLS.
Rochester, Minn., May 18, 1865. v3n4m6

FURNITURE
AT REDUCED PRICES.

S. A. HICKCOX'S FURNITURE STORE is the place to buy, as he has just bought out the Winona Establishment; and with that stock and the work he has already on hand, he offers to his former customers, and to all others wishing to purchase, as good a selection as can be found in Minnesota, and at prices as low as can be had this side of the Mississippi. A large stock of

LOOKING GLASSES,
SOFAS, CENTRE-TABLES,
Chamber setts, Ornamented with Gold Leaf,
MATTRASSES, PILLOWS OF FEATHERS, HAIR AND SEA GRASS,
Wright's Patent Sectional Spring
BED BOTTOM,

With assortment of

TUCKERS.

GILT MOLDING PICTURE FRAMES
Made to order.
CURTAIN ROLLERS AND FIXTURES,
And a good variety of
CORD AND TASSELS
Of all kinds.

DON'T FORGET THE PLACE:

☞ On College-Street, next door east of Hurlbut's Block, at the GILT SIGN. ☜
S. A. HICKCOX.
Rochester, Minn., May 18, 1865. v3n4tf

STOVES & HARDWARE!

THE undersigned would inform the citizens of Steele and adjacent Counties, that they have opened a

HARDWARE STORE

In the building formerly occupied by Dresser Bros.,
ON BROADWAY,
Where can be found a full assortment of all kinds of
HARDWARE, STOVES,
PITCHFORKS, TINWARE,
SASH & WINDOW GLASS,
SCYTHES & SNATHS,
CUTLERY, &c. &c.,
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On the shortest notice, and prices satisfactory.
THOMAS & WHITE.
Owatonna, July 27, 1865. v3n14tf

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WOULD respectfully announce to the citizens of Steele County that he has opened a

TAILOR SHOP
ON MAIN STREET,
OVER THE OLD DRUG STORE,

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All kinds of

GENTS' CLOTHING,

Agreeable to the

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Cutting

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Having had a

Life-Time Experience

In the business, in the Eastern States, he feels confident that his experience will merit a fair amount of patronage.
Owatonna, July 13, 1865. v3n12tf

NEW STORE.
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DRY GOODS
AND
VARIETY STORE,
ON
BROADWAY, OWATONNA,

Where may be found as rich a variety of

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TRIMMINGS,
SHAWLS, MANTILLAS,

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ALSO,
A LARGE STOCK
OF
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SHOES, SLIPPERS, &c., &c

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READY-MADE CLOTHING,
OF ALL SIZES,
AND
A GENERAL STOCK
OF
HARDWARE,

All of which we propose to sell at as low figures as can be had in the State,

Without Exception.

We shall be happy to exhibit our stock of good to all who may favor us with a call.

PRODUCE TAKEN
AT THE
MARKET PRICE
IN
EXCHANGE FOR GOODS.
Owatonna, an. 19 1865. v2n31tf

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Keep canstantly on hand a large and well selected stock of

Shelf & Heavy Hardware,

Consisting in part of

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☞ Have but ONE PRICE, and that always as low as the very lowest. We are Agents for

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And sell them at Chicago Prices. Also Agents for the celebrated

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The best in use. Manufacturers of all kinds of

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Thankful for the liberal patronage of the past, we hope, by fair and honorable dealing, to merit a share for the future.
☞ Remember the place—Sign of the Padlock.
A. OZMUN & SON.
Rochester, Minn., June 1, 1865. v3n6m5

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Deerfield, June 15, 1865. 8tf

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THE GREAT INVENTION OF THE AGE IN
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J. W. BRADLEY'S New Patent DUPLEX ELLIPTIC (or double) SPRING SKIRT.
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THIS INVENTION consists of Duplex (or two) Elliptic Steel Springs, ingeniously Braided Tightly and Firmly together, edge to edge, making the toughest, most flexible Elastic and Durable Spring ever used. They seldom bend or breake like the Single Springs, and consequently preserve their perfect and beautiful shape twice as long as any other Skirt.
The WONDERFUL FLEXIBILITY and Great Comfort and pleasure to any lady wearing the Duplex Elliptic Skirt will be experienced particularly in all Crowded Assemblies, Operas, Carriages, Railroad Cars, Church Pews, Arm Chairs, for Promenade and House Dress, as the Skirt can be folded, when in use, to occupy a small place as easily as a Silk or Muslin Dress.
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For Sale in all First-Class Stores in this city, and throughout the United States, and Canadas, Havana de Cuba, Mexico, South America, and the West Indies. v3n1-13t
INQUIRE FOR THE DUPLEX ELLIPTIC SKIRT.

Meat Market,
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The undersigned having purchased the interest of
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In the old Meat Market, on Bridge Street, respectfully inform the inhabitants of Steele County that they intend keeping on hand an ample supply of

Beef, Pork, Mutton, Sausages, Chickens, Turkeys, &c., &c.,

Of the best quality, and trust, by a careful attention to the wants of their customers, to merit a continuance of the patronage heretoforr bestowed upon the old firm.
N. B.—CASH paid for

Hides, Pork, Turkeys, Chickens.

O. CRANDALL
WM. PEPPER.
Owatonna, Oct. 20th, 1864. v2n46tf

MILLINERY
—AND—
Dress-Making!

The Subscriber would inform his friends and the public generally, that he has purchased the STOCK OF GOODS and rented the store lately occupied by
S. B. BROCKWAY,
and that we will constantly keep on hand a good assortment of

MILLINERY,
DRESS,
And Fancy Goods!

The services of Competent and Tasteful MILLINERS and DRESS MAKERS will be secured. We shall aim to give satisfaction to all who may trust their work to our care.
We are this week receiving

NEW GOODS,

consisting of **BONNETS, HATS, SHAKERS, RIBBONS, PRINTS, DELAINES, LAWNS, SHAWLS, &c.,** and shall sell them at the very lowest prices. J H WINTER.
Faribault, April 10, 1865. 5ltf

DRUG STORE.
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Doct. D. S. Harsha, would announce to the public that he still continues at his old stand to keep a well selected stock of
Drugs, Medicines, &c., Also
HOW'S & STEVENS' CELEBRATED FAMILY

Dye Colors,

Pure Native Grape Wine and Liquors, Strictly for Medicinal purposes, and other articles usually kept in Drug Stores. All of which will be sold at the lowest cash price. n3-tf
D. S. HARSHA.
Owatonna, May 14th 1863.

New Musical
AND
Jewelry Store.

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Main Street, opposite the National Hotel.
Faribault, August 4th, 1864. v2n15tf

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THE GOOD OLD TIME HAS COME!

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At Rice Lake, where he keeps a large stock of

DRY GOODS

Consisting in part of
SHAWLS,
PRINTS, best qualities at 25 cts.
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Also a fine assortment of

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Of all kinds, and almost everything for

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Which we are selling as cheap as any
Store in the West.

We sell for **READY PAY**, and give the
HIGHEST MARKET PRICE
for all kinds of Country Produce.
Rice Lake, June 16th, 1864. v2n8tf

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RAILROAD COMPANY
OFFER FOR SALE
150,000 ACRES

of their lands, situated in the Counties of
WINONA, HOUSTON, WABASHA, OLMSTED, FILLMORE, DODGE, MOWER, GOODHUE, RICE, STEELE, AND FREEBORN.

The Winona & St. Peter Railroad Lands are all situated within
FIFTEEN MILES
of its Road, which extends through the
RICHEST PORTION of SOUTHERN MINNESTA.

For all purposes of Agriculture, these lands cannot be excelled. The farms are sold in tracts of
FORTY ACRES AND UPWARDS,
For Cash or on Credit,

a liberal deduction being made to those wishing to purchase for cash.
Maps showing the exact location of the lands, can be seen at the office, and full information on all points will be furnished, on application, in person or by letter, to
LAND COMMISSIONER,
Winona & St. Peter Railroad Co.,
49tf Winona, Minn.

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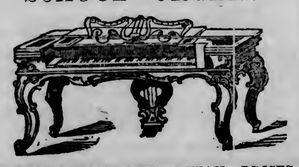
SCHOOL ORGANS!



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CHARLES SHOEN
Gives notice that he will open a
BILLIARD SALOON
Next Saturday, on Main Street, for the accommodation of those who wish to participate in such exercises. A **RESTAURANT** will be opened also at the same place for those who may desire.
Refreshments on reasonable terms. Everything will be conducted in a neat and orderly manner, and agreeable to the rules of such houses.
Owatonna, June 30th, 1864. v2n10t

WILLCOX & GIBBS
SEWING MACHINE

WILL STITCH, HEM, FELL, TUCK, CORD. *Bind, Braid, Quilt,* and *Embroider* beautifully. It will, with the *finest* needle and thread, run from perfect work on the finest Nainsook, over the heaviest beaver cloth and cowhide, with *no* change of needle, thread or tension.
Will use coarse *cotton, linen, silk* and *twine.* It runs easier, faster and stiller than any other machine. It forms a flat, even and elastic seam, differing from every other stitch, each loop being *twisted* by means of the

ROTATING HOOK,

and drawing the twist *into the goods,* thus securely fastening every stitch, so that the seam will bear to be cut at frequent intervals, and in that case even, the seam is warranted NOT TO RIP in wear, and under all circumstances to *"survive the washtub."* Old worn out garments, bosoms, pants, dresses, &c., have been submitted to Committees at FAIRS where was the *greatest competition,* and to THIS STITCH premiums have been awarded for its SUPERIORITY, DURABILITY, ELASTICITY and BEAUTY.
A Patented Device *prevents the possibility of the machine being run in the wrong direction,* or the balance wheel ever wearing or touching the dress. By another ingenious Patent improvement,

The Needle cannot be set Wrong,

Thus avoiding the great trouble of other machines. In this it is so easy that a child may set it in the dark with unerring correctness every time.

NO BREAKING OF NEEDLES.

The blade of the needle is *less than ¾ of an inch long,* and *is straight.* It is less than half the length of other machine needles, many of which are curved, therefore more easily bent or broken—a great source of annoyance, expense and trouble.

The Hemmer and Feller can never be set Wrong.

Any one may adjust them *in the dark.* The hem may be of any width. No other hemmer or feller is like this. It turns the hem on the right or upper side, as you want it.

It will not Drop Stitches;

As the needle is always set right, the blade short and straight does not vibrate like longer ones.

Is run by steam at **4000** stitches per minute—other machines only at 400 to 1200, with safety.

They are manufactured with

MATHEMATICAL PRECISION,

Hence each part is interchangeable, and can be readily replaced in case of accident.

They will not get out of order.

We have known it intimately for several years.—Many thousands are already in use here, and so far as we know, not one in family use has ever cost a dime to repair, or ever been out of order at all.—They will last a generation, if properly cared for. None who have used it can be persuaded to use any other.

Works at an instant's notice, and never stops "unaccountably." *Not one* operator in ten on the Wilcox & Gibbs will *break a needle or drop a stitch in a year.* The Willcox & Gibbs, in the hands of any one, knows no "skips," "drops," "jumps" or "misses." The roundness, evenness, durability and beauty of its stitch

WERE NEVER EQUALED.

Its *rapidity, absolute stillness, ease of motion, narrowness and neatness* of its HEM and FELL were NEVER APPROACHED by any other machine. We can call in any boy or girl from the street, and with three minutes instruction they will set needle, attach the Hemmer, or Feller, and do the work with entire success. A blind girl, with the exception of threading the needle, can do the same. Many ladies owning other first-class machines, come to our office to do their *fine hemming and felling* on the Willcox & Gibbs Machine.
The PRESS universally pronounce this the *best family* Sewing Machine in the world.

We are General Agents for

BARNUM'S SELF-SEWER,

FOR ALL SEWING MACHINES.

It guides the work itself, thus avoiding the bent posture and strain on the eyes. Price **$1.50.**—Large Discount to Agents.
Editors who desire one of these machines on half advertising contracts, can insert this advertisement, send us their paper, and get a machine at any time.
We take other machines in exchange. We sell Oil, Cotton, Silk, Twist and Needles *for every kind of sewing machine.*
Is entirely noiseless.
A Patented Device prevents its being turned backward.
The Patented Needle cannot be set wrong.
The Patented Hemmer and Feller and Braider cannot be set wrong.
It runs faster than any other.
It will never drop a stitch.
It is the only practical machine which *all* can use.
It does the finest and neatest work ever known, and all varieties of family sewing in the most perfect manner.
No other machine takes the "Twisted Loop Stitch."
It cannot be adjusted or got out of order.
It uses the "Rotating Hook."
Whatever the merits of other machines, it is no disparagement to say the Willcox & Gibbs is worth, for family use, double that of any other ever offered to the public.
The Gold Medal at the American Institute, and numerous First Premiums at State Fairs, and at the meetings Mecanical and Scientific Societies all over the world, are among its trophies.

It is now the Great Leading Family Sewing Machine all over the World.

The Grand Fair of the New England States, held at Springfield, awarded the highest premium to the Willcox & Gibbs, as the **Best Family Sewing Machine.**

The award is as follows:
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Official Paper of the County.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 31, 1865.

REPUBLICAN NOMINATIONS.

County Ticket.

For Representative,
J. B. CROOKER.

For County Treasurer,
B. F. MELVIN.

For Clerk of the Court,
A. M. KINYON.

For Sheriff,
WILLARD WHEATON.

UNION STATE CONVENTION.

A Convention will be held at Ingersoll's Hall in St. Paul on Wednesday, September 6, 1865, representing the electors who have given an unqualified support to the war for the Union, who hold to the doctrines of the Declaration of Independence that "all men are created equal," and "that governments derive their just power from the consent of the governed," and who by their votes placed political control in the State and Nation into the hands of the present Administration, for the purpose of nominating candidates for State officers to be supported at the next general election, and for transacting any other business that may be deemed for the public good.

The popular vote of last fall is taken as the basis of representation—400 entitling to one delegate, and every fraction, if over 200 votes, entitling to one more.

Each Regiment of Minnesota troops remaining in the service at that date will also be admitted to representation in the Convention in the same ratio of delegates to the number of votes in the organization.

The delegation will be as follows, subject to the action of the Convention with respect to unorganized counties:

Anoka	1	Mille Lac	1
Benton	1	Morrison	1
Blue Earth	4	Mower	2
Brown	1	Nicollet	2
Carver	3	Olmsted	7
Crow Wing	1	Pine	1
Chisago	1	Ramsey	7
Dakota	5	Rice	5
Dodge	2	Redwood	1
Faribault	2	St. Louis	1
Fillmore	7	Scott	4
Freeborn	2	Sherburne	1
Goodhue	6	Sibley	2
Hennepin	7	Stearns	3
Houston	4	Steele	3
Isanti	1	Wabasha	5
Jackson	1	Waseca	2
Kanabec	1	Washington	3
Le Sueur	3	Watonwan	1
Martin	1	Winona	7
McLeod	1	Wright	2
Meeker	1		

W. L. WILSON, Chairman.
CHAS. McCLURE,
C. H. PETITT,
GEO. C. MOTT,
JOHN YALE,
D. SINCLAIR,
A. R. KEIFER,
WILLIAM MORIN,
S. P. FREEMAN,
Union State Committee.

STEELE COUNTY.

By the returns lately made by the sheriff of this county, it will be seen that Steele County has more than doubled her population within the last five years.

The County is every way adapted for agricultural pursuits, and people are settling in all parts very rapidly. It has plenty of good timber, which is finely distributed over the county. Nearly every township is well watered, and living springs of cold water are abundant. Its soil is of the richest quality, consisting of black muck with a sprinkling of black sand. Persons that have dug wells twenty feet deep, have found the soil at the bottom of the well so rich that all kinds of vegetables grew as large and rapidly as on the surface. Those who have turned their attention to farming have found it exceedingly profitable, and are making themselves rich as fast as any need desire, and nearly all are contented and happy.

The health of the county is unsurpassed by any other in the State. The face of the country is undulating, with but little or no stagnant pools of water to cause the generating of malaria.

There is sufficient meadow land, if properly cared for, to support all the cattle needed in a population of 20,000 inhabitants, and contains far more nutrition per ton than tame grass, and cattle, sheep, and other animals will leave tame grass to eat the wild. Owing to the pure and exhilarating state of the atmosphere, it is remarkable how stock of all kinds thrive and flourish. At this season of the year cattle and horses literally shake with fat as they move, and their growth is rapid and extraordinary.

People coming from the East, can but be enamored with the country as they pass through it, as the prairies are covered with almost every variety of beautiful flowers, and of the most delicious fragrance.

There is probably no county in the State that offers more inducements to Eastern farmers than Steele County.—Land can be had on reasonable terms, either improved or wild, clean prairie or timber, or both if desired. Now is the time if farmers wish to get them a good home, for in a few months, at the farthest, we shall have two railroads into this city, and then the price of land will be doubled.

GEN. GRANT.

Lieut.-Gen. GRANT and escort arrived at St. Paul, by the steamer Itasca, last Saturday morning. Thousands assembled at the wharfs to give him a warm reception. Some thirty carriages were in waiting to convey them to the International Hotel, and after spending an hour there, they again seated themselves in their carriages and started for Minneapolis and St. Anthony. After taking refreshments at the residence of Hon. CYRUS ALDRICH, and much display, they then visited the Falls of Minnehaha, Fort Snelling, and returned to St. Paul about 7 P. M. After spending some two hours at the International, a torch-light procession was formed in front of the Hotel, and the General and company, with thousands of others, passed through the principal streets, amid the greatest enthusiasm, and finally took their position on the Itasca about 11 o'clock, and the steamer moved off on its downward trip, cheered by thousands on the levee.

STATE FAIR.

It has been decided to hold a State Fair during the last week of September, at Minneapolis. It is very important that every part of the State should be fully represented at the time specified. Although Steele county, from some cause, neglects to hold County Fairs, we hope she may manifest enterprise enough to be represented at the State Fair this fall. It may do her some good, and perhaps stimulate her to move in this noble work.

Hon. HORACE GREELEY has given positive assurance that he will be present to deliver the address. Every means will be used to make it one of the grandest State Fairs ever held in Minnesota.

Butter is very scarce in town, not enough to grease our esophagus, and bringing fifteen cents per pound. Those who are disposed to favor the community with a little will receive their everlasting gratitude.—*Owatonna Plaindealer.*

'Tis a great pity about that esophagus of yours, neighbor Kelly. Come into Hastings and we will furnish a few hundred pounds and try to have the thing greased up. It would do the old dry cracks goood to grease them a little.

—*Hastings Conserver.*

Mr. *Conserver*, we are very thankful for your seeming sympathy in our misfortune, but we are entirely unable to comply with your request, as we cannot find grease enough to slip out of the city, and if you could send us a small demi john of butter, without interfering with the running condition of your own esophagus, we should esteem it a favor of the first magnitude.

DENTAL.—Miss L. J. Kellogg, the new Dentist, over the People's Store, is doing a good business and is well liked by her patrons. She is an experienced workwoman, and peofectly competent to do anything in her line with neatness and despatch. Call and examine her work and specimens.—*Owatonna Plaindealer.*

If we lived in Owatonna we imagine our teeth would ache most of the time.

—*Shakopee Argus.*

And your heart also.

STATE NEWS.

THE WINONA & ST. PETER R. R.—It is now pretty definitely settled, as we learn from the Winona *Republican* and other sources, that the Winona and St. Peter railroad will be finished to Mantorville within the next two or three months—in season for moving the present year's crop. The iron necessary to lay the track to that point has been purchased and is now on its way here, and upon its arrival, track-laying will be immediately commenced.—*Rochester Post.*

THE prisoners, Hughes and Foster, charged with the robbery of the First National Bank in this city last week, were brought before Justice Reynolds for examination on Tuesday last. The case was continued, as we learn, to afford time for the prosecution to obtain important witnesses, and will be heard next Wednesday.—*Ibid.*

COL. Averill, Assistant Provost Marshal General, having asked to be relieved from duty as soon as the process of mustering out and discharging the remaining Minnesota regiments is completed, Col. Cahill, of the 23d regiment, Convalescent Corps, has been sent to this city to succeed him. The change will probably take place about the 10th prox.—*Press.*

Violent Hail storm at St. Peter.

On Saturday afternoon, at about 4 o'clock, a most violent and destructive hail storm passed over the country north and west of St. Peter. A very dark cloud came up from the northwest, and was met by a similar cloud from the east.

The storm of rain, wind and hail that ensued was most terrific; perhaps the most destructive that ever was known in this part of the State. Hail stones of sufficient size to kill hens, turkeys, geese and prairie chickens, as was the case in this storm, will give some idea of its force and fury. We have partial reports of its ravages from some 18 miles west of St. Peter, until it reached the Minesota River at Traverse. J. P. Smith's house was unroofed; 33 panes of glass broken in Mr. Pettijohn's house, and all out-standing crops destroyed; hens and turkeys killed; 80 lights of glass broken in Rev. Johnson's house of Lake Prairie; and 60 lights broken in another house in that locality; 45 in E. Meyer's house. The greatest destruction was done to the crops in the wake of this storm, which was some half a mile wide. Sorghum, corn, oats, glass and wheat standing or even in shock, left in the field, all shared one common destruction. Mr. Simons had ten acres of fine growing corn which was totally destroyed. We have not the names of the sufferers nor the full particulars of the ravages of the storm, but the destruction may be said to be total to the crops exposed to its fury. Much of the wheat and oats, fortunately, had been cut and secured previous to the storm, or the calamaty would have been much greater than it now is. It is a singular fact that seven years ago a similar but less destructive storm passed over this same ground occurring a few days earlier in the month.—*St. Peter Tribune.*

The Cholera—Its Flight Westward.

We have dates from Gibraltar to Aug. 6.

Cholera appears gradually creeping Westward. The towns on the East coast of Spain in their dread of the introduction of the epidemic, are imposing quarantine on each other.

The following are extracts from letters, dated Constantinople, July 27:

"During the cholera many people don't come to town any longer; many villages on the Bosphorus have been deserted. Our stock exchange (Consolide Khan) is open for only about two hours and a half daily. I don't remember ever seeing such a gloom, and well may people fear. after the example of Cairo and Alexandria. At the Galetea Tower we have two provisional hospitals. Up to the present, I believe, we are on the increase, and although the number of attacks has only been 500 odd per day, which, with a population of more than one million is not a very great number, yet as no one can tell when, where, and how it will finish it is natural that the alarm should be spread. The greatest number of deaths has been 180 per day, but of course this may be doubled in the course of a few hours, or it may be reduced as much. One peculiarity is that up to the present moment it has, with one or two exceptions, been exceptions, been exclusively confined to the poorer and indigent classes. It must be admitted in justice to this Government that it has no means to come to the assistance of the public. Money, provisions, shelter and other requisite or necessary articles, have been furnished with a liberality which must call forth the praise of every honest person. Many, very many of the inhabitants are deserting the place altogether; and every steamer carries away great numbers of the Constantinople residents. The French steamer which left yesterday was so crowded that the agents were obliged to refuse tickets, although a very large boat.

"JULY 31.—I am sorry to say that since my last the cholera has greatly increased, and I am afraid that during the last two or three days the cases must have attained the number of 800 odd daily, although, for some reason or other, the local papers do not give the number of attacks. The mortality is about 30 to 35 per cent, as near as I can learn, although some days it reaches 50."

—One of the noisiest anti-negro suffrage Copperheads in Keokuk is miscegenating with a female darkey whom he calls his wife. So says the *Gate City*.

It is your anti-negro suffrage men who do the miscegenation business every time. One reason why Copperheads do not want the negroes' testimony taken in the courts against white men, is the certainty that it would compel a great many of them to father their mullatto babies.—*McGregor News.*

Ninety-Eight Generals Mustered out.

GENERAL ORDER NO. 135.

WAR DEPARTMENT, ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE, Washington, August 24. 1865.—By direction of the President the following named general officers of the United States Volunteer service are hereby honorably mustered out of the service of the United States, as their services are no longer needed;

Major Generals N. P. Banks, Silas Casy, Samuel P. Heintzelman, Daniel Butterfield, Abner Doubleday, John J. Peck, Geo. L. Hartsuff; Brevet Major Generals A. Asboth, Geo. L. Andrews, Wm. W. Belknapp, Chas. Croft, Jos. B. Card, Wm. P. Chamberlain, Thos. A. Davis, S. Dennis, Edward Ferrero, Cuvier Grover, Robert Stranger, Chas. K. Graham, Kennes Garrard, Lewis A. Grant, Simeon G. Griffin, Geo. H. Cordier, Joseph Hayes, N. J. Jackson, Nathan Kimball, John P. Kently, John McArthur, Jas. D. Morgan, John T. Milier, Bryon R. Pierce, John Orbinson, Ranman Seymour, Frederick Salomon, Geo. L. Stannard, Alex. Shaler, Erastus B. Tyler, Jas. C. Veatch, Wm. Vandevere, W. T. Ward. Brig. Generals Richard Arnold, Napoleon B. Bunord, Mason Brayman, Henry Baxter, Wm. Birney, Cyrus Busey, Edward S. Bragg, John Cook, Henry B. Carrington, Chas. T. Cambell, Powel J. Davis, Speeds Fry, Lawrence R. Graham, Edward H. Hobson, Jas. R. Hawley, H. H. Lockwood, Sullivan A. Meredith, Geo. P. McGinnis, Thos. H. Neil, John M. Older, William A. Pile, Emmet W. Rice, W. D. Sturgis, J. H. Stakes, John P. Slough, E. P. Scammon, A. J. Slemmer, T. W. Sweeny, Alex. Schemmel Finnegan, John W. Sprague, Stephen Thonas, Daniel William, Horatio Van Cleve, Fitz Henry Warren, Geo. D. Wagner, Jas. A. Williamson.

By order of the Sec'y of War.

E. D. TOWNSEND. A. D. C.

It will be seen that this list emgraces twenty generals, thirty-five brevet major generals and forty-three brig. generals.

Railroad to Winona.

Hon. Edmund Rice, President of the St. Paul and Pacific Railroad, returned from a trip to England on Saturday. We are gratified to learn that he has made arrangements which insure the speedy completion of the line from this city to Winona. Work is to be commenced immediately. Ten miles will be graded ready for the iron this fall, and the entire line completed within two years and a half.

The line to St. Cloud will not be completed this season. Ten miles of track will be laid this fall, extending the road to Big Lake.—*Press.*

FREIGHT FROM CHICAGO TO BOSTON WITHOUT BREAKING BULK.—The Boston *Post* of the 19th, has the following:

"A freight car arrived here yesterday (Friday) morning, loaded with wool, consigned to Messrs. William Hilton & Co., which left Chicago on Saturday last, and has discharged its load without having broken bulk, between Chicago and Boston, making the passage in four days. Its route was over the Michigan Southern, Cleveland, and Toledo, Cleveland and Erie (forming the Railroad line) the New York Central, the Western, of Massachusetts and Boston and Worcester Railroads, and is the pioneer of the "Red Line," established to run between Boston and Chicago, over the above railroads, and which will be in full operation by the first of September next. The cars have a "compromise" truck adapted to the different guages of the several roads. This line will give to Boston such facilities of communication with the Great West as no other city possesses. Its value to the business interests of our city can hardly be estimated."

The Cholera in France.

We have already called attention, says the Paris *Epoque*, to the culpable facility with which the municipal authorities at Marseilles were allowing passengers from Alexandria to land without performing quarantine. We now learn that some cases of cholera have occured at Marseilles. If we revert to this subject, the reason is to show what a strange course is taken by the municipality of that port to protect the inhabitants from contagion. On the arrival of vessels in the port the passengers are allowed to land, and the ships are then sent to perform quarantine. There is no room for astonishment that with such measures of precaution the cholera should have appeared at Marseilles.

—A Canada paper tells the story of a young lady that, after being out huckleberrying all day, found when she undressed for the night, a snake about twenty inches long entwined about her waist between her crinoline and garments. How he got there is a query.

CITY AND COUNTY.

Official Paper of the City.

☞ We have recently purchased a RUGGLES Job Press for our office, and a large amount of other material, which enables us to do all kinds of Job Work agreeable to the latest styles and with dispatch.

☞ *See New Advertisements on fourth page*

NEW PHOTOGRAPH ROOMS.—Our old Artist, CHESLEY, will open a suite of Photograph Rooms, in Dresser's new block, on or before November 1st. The Rooms will occupy the whole of the second story of the north store, and will be finished and furnished in tip-top style. *Pictures and prices warranted to suit all.* Persons wishing pictures of the latest styles, will do well to wait until Mr. CHESLEY'S Rooms are fitted up for use. 19w6

E. SCANNEL is building a Shoe Shop opposite the American House, on Broadway.

WE notice that SOULE BROTHERS are building a sidewalk in front of their brick block.—Success attend their efforts.

BURR & MCCLURE have a fine lot of Hand Carriages at their Jewelry Store, to interest our little "stars."

NEW GOODS.—FRANK CURTIS & Co. have received, during the last week, a large stock of choice Groceries, and have more on the way.

THE *Atlantic Monthly* for September has been circulated throughout the country. It is a magnificent work, and one to be desired by all who have a taste for fine reading.

THE September number of *Harper's Monthly* is a work of much merit, and is deserving the extensive patronage that it is receiving throughout the Old and New World.

SOCIABLE.—The Ice Cream Sociable last Tuesday evening was rather thinly attended, but those present had a very pleasant time, and a free interchange of thought was pleasantly enjoyed.

FINISHED.—The building that J. W. DRESSER contracted to build on Bridge street is now completed, and ready for the occupation of the proprietor. It is well built, and an ornament to the street.

DELAYED.—J. W. DRESSER has got his brick block up one story, and was compelled to stop, on account of W. ODELL not having his brick ready for use, with whom he is building. The work will be resumed next Monday.

THE September number of "*Our Young Folks*" has arrived, and contains many beautiful and instructive stories. Parents could not spend $2 a year better for their children than to send to Ticknor & Fields, Boston, and subscribe for this excellent periodical.

MEDFORD.—We have learned that the Congregational Society of Medford have hired *Lawyer* AIKIN to preach for them during the next six months, in their Society. We are unable to say whether he intends to practice both professions at the same time or not.

APPLES.—During the last week there has been a considerable quantity of ripe apples in town, and are selling very rapidly, every person almost having a desire for ripe fruit. The sour apple is far preferable at this season of the year, and the sweet apple should be discarded during the hot weather.

SICKNESS.—Quite a good deal of sickness is prevailing at this season of the year. The weather being very hot during the day, and cool through the night, is congenial for the production of billious complaints, such a cholera morbus, fevers, and dysentery, and people should avoid sudden exposures and the eating of unripe fruit.

THE next Congregational Sociable will be held next Tuesday evening at Morford's Hall. The entertainment, consisting of Ice Cream, &c., will be provided by Mrs. WHEELOCK, who cordially invites all to meet her at the Hall at 7½ o'clock, on that evening, for a social chat and to partake of refreshments. The invitation is universal and no one need feel slighted.

The above Sociable is postponed one week.

"LAKE NEFANDOUS."—We notice that the "lake" on Bridge street has dried up, and nothing is left but some drift wood and a green scum over the surface. We should think it would be very unhealthy in that locality, and something should be done immediately, or we may have cases of *collar-a* before the warm weather closes.

JEWELRY.—We call attention to the advertisement of A. H. ROWEN & Co., New-York, which will be found in our advertising columns. They have a very large stock of Jewelry and Silver Ware, to be sold at One Dollar for each article. By paying 25 cents you can learn what article you can have. There is certainly not much risk, and we should think, from reading their scheme, that every one was pretty sure of getting more than the worth of their money. We learn that they want agents, with whom they deal liberally. The list is very attractive, and will pay for perusal, even if you do not invest.

MUSICAL.—Prof. HAWLEY'S Singing School in this city, continues to increase in interest and numbers. He has now some fifty scholars or more in his Class, and a good degree of interest manifested. They meet at the Presbyterian Church every Wednesday and Friday evenings, of each week, and will thus continue until the close of the term, which will be about the last of October.

NUISANCE.—We notice that our Public Square has become a public nuisance. It is occupied every night by fifty or a hundred horses, and as many more cattle. It looks and smells more like a barnyard than anything else, and a person should not attempt to cross it in a dark night, without first getting his life insured in some safe company. It is much more slippery than a skating pond, and *far* more offensive. If our City Fathers take no steps to abate the nuisance, the city will have a fine bill to pay some of these days, in the shape of fines for broken arms, legs and necks, for no mortal being, however large his understanding, can pass through it in a dark night, without being submerged, at least every third step, into a pool of—misfortunes.

SOMETHING NEW.—We call attention to the advertisement of the Duplex Elliptice or double Spring Skirt. Though a recent invention, it has become very popular, and is rapidly obtaining the preference over other kinds in use. The rods in it are composed each of two delicate and well-tempered steel springs, which are ingeniously braided together edge to edge, the lower rods heavier, and having a double covering. This peculiarity of construction makes this skirt very strong and durable, and also so exceedingly flexible that it readily adapts itself to the form of the wearer, and allows of any amount of doubling and crushing without injury to its shape. These skirts are unquestionably the lightest, most desirable, comfortable and economical ever made. These are advantages which ladies, who have experienced the discomfort and inconvenience of single springs, will duly appreciate.

Letter from Mary E. P. Smith.

MORRISON, ILL., Aug. 22, 1865.

DR. KELLY, *Dear Sir:*—Allow me, through the columns of your paper, to express my gratitude to yourself and the ladies of your Society, for their kindness to me at the time I left your place. I felt it my duty to do so, but thought I would wait until my arrival at Chattanooga. It is now decided that I wait until October 1st, before going South, but I receive pay from the date of my commission—Aug. 14. The reason of this delay is, sickness at Chattanooga.

I do not now expect that Chattanooga will be my destination, since the *North-Western* Commission have given that post into the hands of the *Western*. They have mentioned Paducah, Ky., as the point of destination, but they are not yet decided.

Yours Respectfully,
MARY E. P. SMITH.

CENSUS.—Below will be found the Census Returns of Steele County, showing the population of the county up to Aug. 1, 1865, together with the population of 1860, and the increase since that time:

Aurora	427
Summitt	142
Berlin	255
Somerset	316
Lemond	217
Dover	411
Owatonna	354
" City, 1st Ward	328
" " 2d Ward	477
" " 3d Ward	144
Meriden	406
Merton	486
Clinton Falls	287
Medford	441
Deerfield	240
Total	4931
Population of 1860	2256
Increase in 5 years	2675

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.—Below will be found the law passed in 1861, granting to each county containing 800 voters or more, five County Commissioners. We are unable to see why, according to this law, Steele County is not entitled to five Commissioners. Last fall our vote was over 800, which is all the law requires. If it cannot be done this fall, we think that our Representative should see to it that a bill be passed granting to Steele County five County Commissioners. It would be much better to have the interests of the County in the hands of five than three. Will some of our learned lawyers look to this matter:

"Each and every county in this State shall be deemed an organized county for the purposes provided in this Act, and in each and every county there shall be a board of county commissioners. In those counties in which at the last general election there was cast eight hundred votes or more, the said board shall consist of five members, and in all other counties of three members, whose term of office shall be three years, and until their successors are elected or appointed and qualified."

Masonic.

TYRIAN CHAPTER No. 6, R.·. A.·. M.·. will meet in Masonic Hall, in Faribault, on the first and third Wednesday evenings of each month.

C. N. DANIELS, H.·. P.·.
Z. S. WILSON, Secretary. v3n39tf

The Owatonna Plaindealer.

Official Paper of the County.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 31, 1865.

THE THREE WISHES.

There was once a wise emperor who made a law that to every stranger who came to his court a fish should be served. The servants were directed to take notice if, when the stranger had eaten the fish to the bone on one side, he turned it over and began on the other side. If he did, he was to be immediately seized and on the third day thereafter he was to be put to death. But by a great stretch of imperial clemency, the culprit was permitted to utter one wish each day, which the emperor pledged himself to grant, provided it was not to spare his life. Many had already perished in consequence of this edict, when, one day, a count and his young son presented themselves at court. The fish was served as usual, and when the count had removed all the fish from one side, he turned it over, and was about to commence on the other, when he was suddenly seized and thrown into prison, and was told of his approaching doom. Sorrow-stricken, the count's young son besought the Emperor to allow him to die in the room of his father; a favor which the monarch was pleased to accord him. The count was accordingly released from prison, and his son was thrown into his cell in his stead. As soon as this had been done, the young man said to his gaolers :—"You know I have the right to make three demands before I die; go and tell the Emperor to send me his daughter and a priest to marry us."

The first demand was not much to the Emperor's taste, nevertheless he felt bound to keep his word, and he therefore complied with the request, to which the princess had no kind of objection. This occurred in the times when kings kept treasures in a cave, or in a tower set apart for the purpose, and on the second day of his imprisonment the young man demanded the king's treasures. If his first demand was a bold one, the second was not less so; still an Emperor's word is sacred, and having made the promise, he was forced to keep it; and the treasures of gold and silver and jewels were placed at the prisoner's disposal. On getting possession of them he distributed profusely among the courtiers. and soon he made a host of friends by his liberality.

The Emperor now began to feel exceedingly uncomfortable. Unable to sleep he rose early on the third morning and went, with fears in his heart, to the prison to hear what the third wish was to be.

"Now," said he to the prisoner, "tell me what your third demand is, that it may be granted at once, and you may be hung out of hand, for I am tired of your demands."

"Sire," answered the prisoner, "I have but one more favor to ask of your majesty, which, when you have granted, I shall die content. It is merely that you will cause the eyes of those who saw my father turn the fish over to be put out."

"Very good," replied the Emperor, "your demand is but natural, and springs from a good heart. Let the chamberlain be seized," he continued, turning to his guards.

"I sire!" cried the chamberlain ;—"I did not see anything—it was the steward."

"Let the steward be siezed, then," said the king.

But the steward protested with tears in his eyes that he had not witnessed anything of what had been reported, and said it was the butler. The butler declared that he had seen nothing of the of the matter, and that it must have been one of the valets. But they protested that they were utterly ignorant of what had been charged against the count; in short, it turned out that no body could be found who had seen the count commit the offence, upon which the princess said :

"I appeal to you, my father, as to another Solomon. If nobody saw the offence committed the count cannot be guilty, and my husband is innocent."

The Emperor frowned, and forthwith the courtiers began to murmur; and then he smiled and immediately their visages became radiant.

"Let it be so;" said his majesty, "let him live though I have put many a man to death for a lighter offence than his. But if he is not hung, he is married. Justice has been done."—*Dickens' once a week.*

☞ A contemporary says, "The first printers were Titans." We never knew that before, but we have seen a good many "tight'uns" within our experience.

BACHELOR'S HALL.

BY MRS. JAMES ———

From Godey's Lady's Book.

"No rest for the wicked, Ned!" said Charley Warner to his friend and fellow adventurer. "The hotel is full, the boarding-houses are packed; why, they stow away thirteen in a bed, down at Burns', that rickety-looking frame house you see yonder."

"Thirteen! why that's too thick to thrive. I say, Charley, didn't you draw on your imagination for at least ten of those sleepers?"

"Not a bit of it; they are all *bona fide* flesh and blood, young men seeking their fortunes in the great west, and bent on making Kansas a free State, I suppose; but mind ye, I didn't say bedstead, that happens to be the floor."

"Well, I for one am not fond of amalgamation. Haven't we got a tent stowed away somewhere that we intended to go buffalo hunting with."

"To-be sure we have; a bright idea. Let us stretch it on the wide prairie and set up housekeeping for ourselves."

"Agreed! Can you cook?"

"Of course I can; why, there's nothing easier to learn than the culinary art. We'll fish and we'll hunt, and our table shall be supplied with the most choice articles of food with which the country abounds."

And thus Bachelor's Hall was founded in the days when ladies were "few and far between," mere oases in the great desert of masculinity.

As for *man*kind, they were to be found of every type and of every class—young, middle aged, old, single, married, widowered, and divorced; plain, good looking, handsome, and homely; speculators, office seekers, fanatics, hard workers and fun lovers, to which latter class our friends Ned and Charley belonged, a class exceedingly agreeable to the ladies. They varied the monotony of life by picnics, horseback rides, buffalo hunts, in which we were allowed to participate during the summer, and sleigh rides, dancing parties, etc., in winter, very much after the manner of "the civilized world."

The population of Bachelor's Hall, notwithstanding Ned's dislike to "close quarters," soon increased to seven. "The poor fellows begged so hard for a habitation and a home that we were obliged to give them shelter from the cruel blast," said the proprietors. But, alas! one night the cruel blast in all its fury came down upon the devoted tent, and scattered the seven bachelors, with all their different varieties of luggage and household furniture in seven different directions. Undismayed, however, they picked themselves up, and finding they were only frightened and not a bit hurt, resolved to erect on the ever-memorable spot, a more enduring tenement, which they did; and of its dedication we have somewhat to say.

Now as I have before stated that young ladies were scarce, it will not be wondered at when I also state that the seven bachelors were all desperately in love with one and the same, Minnie Ray, by name, and a frolicsome, mirthloving, beautiful black-eyed sprite by nature, who was so good at keeping a secret, that if she preferred one above another, not even the closest observer could perceive a difference in the treatment they received.

There were, first, Ned Hale and Charley Warner, both first-rate fellows, young lawyers, with the law-loving world before them to make their fortunes in; Courcy Gordon, a dark-haired haughty southerner, the very opposite of lean, lank, light-haired Abel North, a Yankee, with a great many *isms* in his head, among which was a firm belief in the foreordination of true marriages. He rested contentedly in the thought that Minnie was his affinity, and could not fail to perceive it if he gave her sufficient opportunity to study his character. So he visited her frequently, and always came away in a self-satisfied mood. Then, there was Stephen Marks, and *he* was very confident also, resting his claims on a golden foundation; besides, he had a splendid buggy, something unusual in those days, most of the riding being done on horseback, or in large wagons, the latter being frequently drawn by *horned steeds*, otherwise known as *oxen*. And Stephen would ask Miss Minnie to ride, and she would smilingly consent, unless prevented by some previous engagement. He felt so sure of her that he looked with supreme contempt on the pretensions of the others, scarcely deigning to consider them as rivals. There was James Lee, also of the legal profession, and a representative of the old Bay State; with him I was not then much acquainted, as it was only Minnie Ray who could charm him away from his books. I wondered that he fancied her; I suppose on the score of loving his opposite, for opposite she was in looks, habits, tastes, and disposition. He was fair; she dark, a rosy-cheeked brunette. He was studious, fond of quiet and home; she gay, roving, and fond of sports of all kinds, full of mischief, disliking study, while he loved books as his dearest friends, was undemonstrative in affection, governed always by principle, ambitious, persevering, and decided. She, impulsive, enthusiastic, good natured, and yet with a will of her own capable of asserting its rights if once aroused. Lastly, and hardly worth mentioning, was Thomas Jenkins, a conceited little puppy, with neither character, good looks, nor wealth to recommend him. And *these* were all on Minnie's list of lovers when the tent capsized. And they failed not in gallantry, even during the erection of the new building, the progress of which was eagerly watched by the ladies, who determined to dedicate it. At length it was finished, and the proprietors snugly ensconced, seated around a hugh fire, for by this time the north wind began to blow chill, when rap, rap, sounded on the door.

"Come in," sang out a voice, and *in* we went, about twenty ladies, with the same number of gentlemen in the rear, armed and equipped with large baskets.

What a welcome we had after the first shock of surprise was over, and what agreeable hosts they proved themselves to be. As soon as the ladies' hoods, nubias, shawls, and furs were disposed of, they proceeded to take down the bedsteads, which had just been put up, which left us a nice place to dance, for the room was a large one with a smooth uncarpeted floor. The violinists then took their places, and light feet kept time to merry music for a while; then the contents of the baskets were investigated and proved to be materials for an elegant supper, that is, considering the time and place, There were wild turkey, duck, chicken, and quail; boiled ham, biscuit, rivalling snow in whiteness and lightness, tarts filled with jelly (made from the wild grape and plum), fruit cake, sponge cake, iced cake, and several other varieties, all in great abundance, fragrant coffee, prepared by Charley, who proved himself an adept. Spiced oysters, pickles of various kinds also contributed to set off the table.

Miss Minnie Ray presided, and with inimitable grace performed her part, notwithstanding seven pair of eyes followed her every movement. Stephen Blake took care to be at her side when supper was announced that he might have the privilege of escorting her to the table, Courcy Gordon looking very sharp daggers, and then began to flirt with a married beauty, Mrs. Roberts by name.—Ned, Charley, and Jenkins put on white aprons, or excellent imitations of the same, and played the part of waiters, while James Lee contented himself with escorting your humble servant.

"You don't dance," I observed. "I hope you are not of those who consider such amusements wrong?"

"Far from it," was the reply; "I think dancing one of the most innocent and healthful recreations."

"Why, then, do you not join us?"

"Simply because I have never learned, and my clumsy feet would make rather an awkward appearance on the floor. I should warn the ladies to take care of their dresses. My life," said he, in a more serious tone, "has been to full of work; every moment has brought its duty to perform, every day its difficulty to overcome. I could not turn aside from the rugged path before me to dally in the sunshine of pleasure, lest I lose sight of the grand object of life."

"Which is the pursuit of honor and fame," said I, inquiringly.

"Not exactly, if I understand myself aright; it is to be *worthy* of both. Let me reach my own standard of moral and intellectual culture, and I shall be content to live unoticed and unknown."

"But we are commanded to let our light shine as well as to improve our talents."

"Certainly! I do not mean to bury myself like a hermit, only that I endeavor to cultivate such a frame of mind, that I can be content to labor for my own good and the good of the world, uncheered by its applause."

"You will be sure to receive it," said I.

"Well, I shall be only too happy." Supper being over, others joined us, and the conversation becoming general, he did not finish the sentence; and the party soon afterwards came to an end, as all parties will, and I have been told by a "very reliable gentlemen," that no sooner had we all departed, than Mr. Charles Hale mounted a stick of wood and addressed the assembled family as follows:

"Gentlemen, the time for action has arrived; suspense is no longer bearable. No more can we go forth to daily toil with smiling faces, to meet again at eve around this fire-side in friendly converse with brotherly love, while rivalry rankles in the heart. I have noticed this evening cloudy brows and glances fierce as lightning. We can proceed in peace no longer. Bachelor's Hall will be laid in ashes by the fires of jealousy; we slumber on a magazine ready at any moment to explode. I cannot seek my couch until some method is devised to avert this danger."

"Well, what shall be done?" said Jenkins, bringing Charley down from his bombastics rather suddenly.

"What I have to propose is this: we will allow one week for proposals to be made to the young lady in question; each bachelor seeking his own opportunity, and reporting his success or failure one week from to-night. Are we all agreed?"

Six ayes responded, and the self-constituted President declared the assembly adjourned for one week.

Each bachelor kept his own counsel, though the hall was hardly as jolly as usual, yet the time passed by without any serious disturbance.

"The meeting will please come to order," said the President; "and, to set an example of promptness and honesty, I will just state that your worthy presiding officer has been rejected. Said she was sorry for me, but she was engaged. I couldn't get my courage up till last night. Who's the lucky fellow? Was it you, Jenkings?"

"Not I, indeed. I wrote out a most beautiful speech, which I forgot at the important moment of delivery."

"And consequently failed to reach her heart," said Ned. "So did I, though I asked her in plain English to share my humble fortunes. I presume she thought there was but one share."

"She don't care for that," said Stephen. "I offered her *fifty thousand dollars*, and she said no. I wouldn't have thought it possible any young lady could be so foolish; she is certainly out of her wits."

"She don't see things in a clear, spiritual light," quoth Abel; "however, she'll be mine in eternity."

"Very poor consolation for an earthworm—perhaps she did dot want any of us; it is well we saved bloodshed and broken bones, and went at the matter in peaceable nineteenth century style," remarked the President. "Come, Lee, your report."

"Well, I asked her to marry me, and she said"—here he paused long enough to excite half a dozen curious whats—"she said *yes*."

'Egad!' 'Thunder!' 'you don't say so!' 'I want to know!' were some of the exclamations heard from all except Gordon, who sat in haughty silence for a time, and then quietly said: 'I believe you are the only one I would congratulate.'

'And I!' 'And I!' said several others. 'We all acknowledge your superiority.'

'Thank you for the compliment,' said Lee, 'it is entirely undeserved.'

Exclamations of wonder and surprise were numerous when Minnie's choice was made known. I only wondered if she was worthy of him.

Time has proved her really his 'affinity,' and a noble woman. They have prospered in this world's goods, and James Lee no longer treads the rugged paths of adversity—not seeking fame. Fame came to him, and found him worthy of her highest honors,

Minnie never regretted her choice. Said she: 'he always elevated me to a purer, better atmosphere. In his society, I felt a desire to become holier and wiser. The performance of duty, however distasteful, became a pleasure, because it contributed to the perfection of character. He was and is to me the embodiment of true manhood. I love, honor, and respect him so much, that obedience seems natural.'

WOULDN'T COME A SECOND TIME.

C——, now of California, was for a time secretray of the state of Illinois. One day, during the legislative vacation, a meek, cadaverous looking man, with a white neckcloth, introduced himself to him at his office, and stating that he had been informed that Mr. C—— had the letting of the hall of representatives, he wished to secure it, if possible, for a course of lectures he desired to deliver Springfield.

"May I ask," said the secretary, "what is to be the subject of your lectures?"

"Certainly," was the reply, with a very solemn expression of countenance. "The course I wish to deliver is on the second coming of the Lord."

"It is of no use," said C——. "If you take my advice, you will not waste your time in this city. It is my private opinion that if the Lord has been in Springfield once, He will never come a second time."

"YOUR TICKET, SIR."

On one of the northern railroad there is a conductor named S——, a very clever, sociable, gentlemanly man, a great favorite with the company he is connected with, and the traveling public in general—fond of a joke, quick at repartee, and faithful in the discharge of his duties. During the past year, as his train well filled with passengers, was crossing a bridge over a wide stream some seven or eight feet deep, the bridge broke down precipitating the two passenger cars into the stream. As the passengers emerged from the wreck, they were borne away by the force of the current. Our friend S——had succeeded in catching hold of some bushes that grew near the stream to which he held for dear life. A passenger, less fortunate, came rushing by. S——extended one hand, saying:—"Your ticket, sir; give me your ticket." You can imagine the effect of such a dry joke in the midst of the water.

A Bright Child.—"Father, what makes Ben, our milk-man, wall so funny?"

"Why, Milly, you see, he froze his feet so badly once that the docters had to cut all his toes off."

"Indeed, father—then why is Ben like a well-known and mean-spirited soldier?"

"Really, my child, I don't know—cant think."

"Why, don't you see?—he is a *notoe*-rious cow-herd, Ben is."

"Milly, Mily, child—you'll get married some day."

Pig in the Bed.—A little girl had been entertained with stories about pigs one evening, and highly amused with an imitation from a facetious brother, of the manner in which they "grunt."

The following morning, she rose from her "nest" beside her father, and listened to his *snoring* with unfeigned astonishment. After a moment she cried out. "Mamma, mamma, do, dust come 'ere! Pon my life, I tink tere's a pig in dis bed."

THE R. R. IS COMING!

The Iron Horse is on His Way!

AND

Frank Curtis & Co.

Have just come in ahead of the cars, and issued their

PROCLAMATION,

Granting an Amnesty to all the citizens of Steele County, who buy their goods at

Our Store,

And restore them to the bosom of our beloved country.

For the information of all, we announce to the people of this section that we are just receiving a

LARGE STOCK OF

Groceries,

Bought at

Panic Prices,

And for cash, consequently we

CAN AND WILL

Sell lower than

ANY OTHER STORE OF THE KIND IN THE COUNTRY.

Everything in our line, of the

BEST QUALITY,

Will be kept constantly on hand, and as our terms are

Ready Pay,

We have no bad debts for our customers to cancel.

Small Profits and Quick Sales,

Is ou motto. Call and see for yourselves.

☞ Store, B. Chambers' old stand, on Broadway.

Owatonna, June 8, 1865. v3n7tf

FOR SALE.

Lots 3 and 4 in Block 12, with a good house upon them. There is a large assortment of fruit trees, and a good garden on the premises. It will be sold reasonable, for cash. C. H. CROWTHER.

Owatonna, Ju 27, 1865. 14m1

Masonic.

TYRIAN CHAPTER No. 6, R.·. A.·. M.·. will meet in Masonic Hall, in Faribault, on the first and third Wednesday evenings of each month.

C. N. DANIELS, H.·. P.·.

Z. S. Wilson, Secretary. v2n39tf

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CRACKER MANUFACTORY!

Crackers by the Barrel or Box,

LARGE CRACKERS:

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ROUND CRACKERS:

BUTTER, WINE, CREAM, SUGAR,

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BUTTER, TEA, OYSTERS, SUGAR.

Wholesale Prices:

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All Crackers warranted fresh, and manufactured out of the finest materials, at the

ROCHESTER BAKERY,

ON THIRD STREET.

All kinds of Crackers given in exchange for Lard and Butter.

THOMAS TAIT.

Rochester, Feb. 16, 1865. v2n43

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KEEP constantly on hand a SPLENDID ASSORTMENT of goods, as follows:—

WATCHES

Of all kinds, both GOLD AND SILVER, with all the modern improvements.

CLOCKS

Of all Styles, Sizes and Prices, including the

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Excelled by none.

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Of the choicest styles, and latest novelties, such as FLORANTINE, MOSAIC, ENAMELED, CORAL SETTS, &c., &c.

SILVER & PLATED WARE,

CASTORS, CAKE BASKETS, SPOONS, FORKS, &c., &c.

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The best assortment in the country.

Musical Instruments,

GUITARS, BANJOES, VIOLINS, ACCORDEONS CLARONETTS, PICKELOES, FLUTES, FIFES, DRUMS, &c., &c.

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A fine assortment of Table and Pocket Cutlery.

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TRAVELING, MARKET & CLOTHES BASKETS. CHILDREN'S CABS & BUGGIES.

BIRD CAGES

Of various styles.

Fancy Goods & Yankee Notions,

In endless variety. Just received, a nice assortment of the

NEW STYLE BELT BUCKLES, HANGING BASKETS, IVORY JEWELRY, &c., &c.

☞ Watches, Clocks and Jewelry repaired and warranted.

☞ Old Gold and Silver taken in exchange for goods.

Call and see us, at the sign of the Big Watch.

BURR & McCLURE.

Owatonna, May 18, 1865. v3n4tf

Millinery Store.

MRS. LANGLEY still continues to occupy her rooms over the

People's Store,

Where she keeps on hand a good assortment of

MILLINERY GOODS,

And will do all kinds of work pertaining to the Millinery line. She is also prepared to FLUTE all material for

FLOUNCES AND TRIMMINGS, DRESSES, COLLARS, MUSLINS, &c.

Also, Agent for

Singer's Sewing Machine,

Which needs no recommendation, as every one knows it is the best. She has one for her own use, which she would be glad to show to any one wishing to become acquainted with its work.

MACHINE NEEDLES kept for sale.

Thanking the public for past patronage she hopes that it may be continued and will try to suit all, if possible. v3n17tf

IN PROBATE COURT, State of Minnesota, Steele County. In the matter of the Guardianship of the minor heir of James A. Goodwin, deceased. On reading and filing the petition of Louise F. Goodwin, of Saint Paul, in the State of Minnesota, representing, among other things, that James A. Goodwin died intestate on the 18th day of April A. D. 1863; that he left personal property to a considerable amount, and one minor child, who resides with petitioner, her mother and the widow of said deceased, to wit: Helen, aged four years; that the personal property of said minor does not exceed the sum of two hundred dollars as your petitioner verily believes; that it is expedient to have a Guardian appointed to said minor, and praying that she be appointed to said trust: It is ordered that said petition be heard before this Court on the 4th day of September, 1865, at Owatonna, in said county.—And it is further ordered that notice thereof be given to the next of kin of said minor and to all other persons interested, by publishing a copy of this order for three weeks, in the Owatonna Plaindealer, a weekly newspaper published at Owatonna, Steele County, Minnesota. Dated Owatonna, Minnesota, this 7th day of August, A. D. 1865.

16-3t R. G. LINCOLN, Judge of Probate.

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PROPRIETOR of Rice Lake House, at Rice Lake. The traveling community will find us always ready to administer to their comfort. 31-tf

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PROPRIETOR of the "Yearly Hotel," Wasioja, Minn., second door south of the Post-Office, where the weary traveler will find good accommodations for man and beast. Mr. Y. was the former proprietor of the old "Wasioja Hotel." v2n52

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I. O. O. F.

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At the sign of the

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Is the place to get great bargains in the line of

DRUGS & MEDICINES,
PAINTS, OILS, GLASS, PUTTY, DYE STUFFS. SCHOOL BOOKS, STATIONERY, WALL PAPER, WINDOW SHADES, VARNISHES,

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PATENT MEDICINES, of all kinds,
KEROSENE OIL & LAMPS,
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From the country, will find it to their advantage to give us a call, as we are prepared to duplicate any bills, of limited size, from

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All Medicine, Domestic Wines, and Liquors,

Warranted Pure & Genuine.

☞ Remember the place: STONE STORE, GOLDEN MORTAR, Broadway.

WOODARD & ELLS.

Rochester, Minn., May 18, 1865. v3n4m6

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AT REDUCED PRICES.

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Of all kinds.

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Rochester, Minn., May 18, 1865. v3n4tf

STOVES & HARDWARE!

THE undersigned would inform the citizens of Steele and adjacent Counties, that they have opened a

HARDWARE STORE

In the building formerly occupied by Dresser Bros.,

ON BROADWAY,

Where can be found a full assortment of all kinds of

HARDWARE, STOVES,
PITCHFORKS, TINWARE,
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Lowest Possible Figures,

Our Motto being

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Please call and examine our goods and prices.

We have also a

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Connected with the store, and are prepared to do

ALL KINDS OF JOBBING

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TIN, SHEET IRON AND COPPER,

On the shortest notice, and prices satisfactory.

THOMAS & WHITE.

Owatonna, July 27, 1865. v3n14tf

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OVER THE OLD DRUG STORE,

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All kinds of

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Agreeable to the

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In the business, in the Eastern States, he feels confident that his experience will merit a fair amount of patronage.

Owatonna, July 13, 1865. v3n12tf

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DRY GOODS

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VARIETY STORE,

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Where may be found as rich a variety of

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ALSO,

A LARGE STOCK

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And any quantity of

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OF

READY-MADE CLOTHING,

OF ALL SIZES,

AND

A GENERAL STOCK

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All of which we propose to sell at as low figures as can be had in the State,

Without Exception.

We shall be happy to exhibit our stock of good to all who may favor us with a call.

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MARKET PRICE

IN

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Owatonna. an. 19 1865. v2n3t9f

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Keep canstantly on hand a large and well selected stock of

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And sell them at Chicago Prices. Also Agents for the celebrated

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The best in use. Manufacturers of all kinds of

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Rochester, Minn., June 1, 1865. v3n6m5

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From all points on the

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The Splendid Steamers

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Make sure Connections at Pra. du Chien with Morning Express Train,

Arriving at Milwaukee and Chicago in time to connect with evening trains for the East and South

Passengers from points above La Crosse by this route get a FULL NIGHT'S REST on Steamers, and breakfast on board at a seasonable hour.

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Call for Tickets via Prairie du Chien.

Fare as low as by any Other Route.

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They are the best quality in every part, and unquestionably the Lightest, Most Desirable, Comfortable, and Economical Skirt ever made.

For Sale in all First-Class Stores in this city, and throughout the United States, and Canadas, Havana de Cuba, Mexico, South America, and the West Indies. v3n1-13t

INQUIRE FOR THE DUPLEX ELLIPTIC SKIRT.

Meat Market,

BRIDGE STREET, OWATONNA.

The undersigned having purchased the interest of

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Beef, Pork, Mutton, Sausages, Chickens, Turkeys, &c., &c.,

Of the best quality, and trust, by a careful attention to the wants of their customers, to merit a continuance of the patronage heretofore bestowed upon the old firm.

N. B.—CASH paid for

Hides, Pork, Turkeys, Chickens.

O. CRANDALL
WM. PEPPER.

Owatonna, Oct. 20th, 1864. v2n46tf

MILLINERY

—AND—

Dress-Making!

The Subscriber would inform his friends and the public generally, that he has purchased the STOCK OF GOODS and rented the store lately occupied by

S. B. BROCKWAY,

and that we will constantly keep on hand a good assortment of

MILLINERY,

DRESS,

And Fancy Goods!

The services of Competent and Tasteful MILLINERS and DRESS MAKERS will be secured. We shall aim to give satisfaction to all who may trust their work to our care.

We are this week receiving

NEW GOODS,

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Faribault, April 10, 1865. 51tf

DRUG STORE.

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DOCT. D. S. HARSHA, would announce to the public that he still continues at his old stand to keep a well selected stock of

DRUGS, MEDICINES, &c., ALSO

HOW'S & STEVENS' CELEBRATED FAMILY

Dye Colors,

Pure Native Grape Wine and Liquors, STRICTLY FOR MEDICINAL PURPOSES, and other articles usually kept in Drug Stores. All of which will be sold at the lowest cash price. n3-tf

D. S. HARSHA.

Owatonna, May 14th 1863.

New Musical

AND

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Would announce to the people of Steele County that he keeps a large quantity of

MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS

Constantly on hand, of the best qualities, comprising

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Also, Wholesale and Retail dealer in

WATCHES & JEWELRY

WATCHES REPAIRED ON SHORTEST NOTICE AND WARRANTED IN ALL CASES.

Main Street, opposite the National Hotel.

Faribault, August 4th, 1864. v2n15tf

THE OLD FLAG STILL WAVES!

THE GOOD OLD TIME HAS COME!

To all who buy their goods of

J. P. GURR,

At Rice Lake, where he keeps a large stock of

DRY GOODS

Consisting in part of

SHAWLS,
PRINTS, best qualities at 25 cts.
DE LAINES,
SUMMER CLOTHING,
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Also a fine assortment of

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Of all kinds, and almost everything for

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Which we are selling as cheap as any

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We sell for **READY PAY,** and give the

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RAILROAD COMPANY

OFFER FOR SALE

150,000 ACRES

of their lands, situated in the Counties of

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The Winona & St. Peter Railroad Lands are all situated within

FIFTEEN MILES

of its Road, which extends through the

RICHEST PORTION of SOUTHERN MINNESOTA.

For all purposes of Agriculture, these lands cannot be excelled. The farms are sold in tracts of

FORTY ACRES AND UPWARDS,

For Cash or on Credit,

a liberal deduction being made to those wishing to purchase for cash.

Maps showing the exact location of the lands, can be seen at the office, and full information on all points will be furnished, on application, in person or by letter, to

LAND COMMISSIONER,
Winona & St. Peter Railroad Co.,
Winona, Minn.

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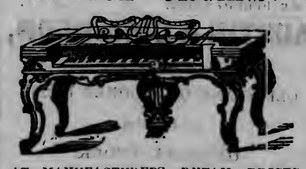

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THE undersigned is Agent for the best manufacture of the above Instruments in the United States, all of which are fully warranted for 6 years.

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Next Saturday, on Main Street, for the accommodation of those who wish to participate in such exercises. A **RESTAURANT** will be opened also at the same place for those who may desire.

Refreshments on reasonable terms. Everything will be conducted in a neat and orderly manner, and agreeable to the rules of such houses.

Owatonna, June 30th, 1864. v2n10t

WILLCOX & GIBBS SEWING MACHINE

WILL STITCH, HEM, FELL, TUCK, CORD. *Bind, Braid, Quilt,* and *Embroider* beautifully. It will, with the *finest* needle and thread, run from perfect work on the finest Nainsook, over the heaviest beaver cloth and cowhide, with no change of needle, thread or tension.

Will use coarse *cotton, linen, silk* and *twine.* It runs easier, faster and stiller than any other machine. It forms a flat, even and elastic seam, differing from every other stitch, each loop being *twisted* by means of the

ROTATING HOOK,

and drawing the twist *into the goods,* thus securely fastening every stitch, so that the seam will bear to be cut at frequent intervals, and in that case even, the seam is warranted NOT TO RIP in wear, and under all circumstances to *"survive the washtub!"* Old worn out garments, bosoms, pants, dresses, &c., have been submitted to Committees at FAIRS where was the *greatest competition,* and to THIS STITCH premiums have been awarded for its SUPERIORITY, DURABILITY, ELASTICITY and BEAUTY.

A Patented Device *prevents the possibility of the machine being run in the wrong direction,* or the balance wheel ever wearing or touching the dress. By another ingenious Patent improvement,

The Needle cannot be set Wrong,

Thus avoiding the great trouble of other machines. In this it is so easy that a child may set it in the dark with unerring correctness every time.

NO BREAKING OF NEEDLES.

The blade of the needle is *less than ¾ of an inch long,* and is *stright.* It is less than half the length of other machine needles, many of which are curved, therefore more easily bent or broken—a great source of annoyance, expense and trouble.

The Hemmer and Feller can never be set Wrong.

Any one may adjust them *in the dark.* The hem may be of any width. No other hemmer or feller is like this. It turns the hem on the right or upper side, as you want it.

It will not Drop Stitches;

As the needle is always set right, the blade short and straight does not vibrate like longer ones.

Is run by steam at **4000** stitches per minute—other machines only at 400 to 1200, with safety.

They are manufactured with

MATHEMATICAL PRECISION,

Hence each part is interchangeable, and can be readily replaced in case of accident.

They will not get out of order.

We have known it intimately for several years.—Many thousands are already in use here, and so far as we know, not one in family use has ever cost a dime to repair, or ever been out of order at all.—They will last a generation, if properly cared for. None who have used it can be persuaded to use any other.

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WERE NEVER EQUALED.

Its *rapidity, absolute stillness, ease of motion, narrowness and neatness* of its HEM and FELL were NEVER APPROACHED by any other machine. We can call in any boy or girl from the street, and with three minutes instruction they will set needle, attach the Hemmer, or Feller, and do the work with entire success. A blind girl, with the exception of threading the needle, can do the same. Many ladies owning other first-class machines, come to our office to do their *fine hemming and felling* on the Willcox & Gibbs Machine.

The PRESS universally pronounce this the *best family* Sewing Machine in the world.

We are General Agents for

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FOR ALL SEWING MACHINES.

It guides the work itself, thus avoiding the bent posture and strain on the eyes. Price **$1.50.**—Large Discount to Agents.

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We take other machines in exchange. We sell OIL, COTTON, SILK, TWIST and NEEDLES *for every kind of sewing machine.*

Is entirely noiseless.

A PATENTED DEVICE prevents its being turned backward.

The PATENTED NEEDLE cannot be set wrong.

The PATENTED HEMMER AND FELLER AND BRAIDER cannot be set wrong.

It runs faster than any other.

It will never drop a stitch.

It is the only practical machine which *all* can use.

It does the finest and neatest work ever known, and all varieties of family sewing in the most perfect manner.

No other machine takes the "TWISTED LOOP STITCH."

It cannot be adjusted or get out of order.

It uses the "Rotating Hook."

Whatever the merits of other machines, it is no disparagement to say the Willcox & Gibbs is worth, for family use, double that of any other ever offered to the public.

The Gold Medal at the American Institute, and numerous First Premiums at State Fairs, and at the meetings Mecanical and Scientific Societies all over the world, are among its trophies.

It is now the Great Leading Family Sewing Machine all over the World.

The Grand Fair of the New England States, held at Springfield, awarded the highest premium to the Willcox & Gibbs, as the **Best Family Sewing Machine.**

The award is as follows:

"The Willcox & Gibbs' Machine is very simple, efficient, and easily understood. We award **The First Premium** (medal) to the Willcox & Gibbs Machine as the **Best Family Machine.**"

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New Advertisements.

[OFFICIAL.]

SALE OF SCHOOL LANDS.

In pursuance of law, I, Charles McIlrath, Commissioner of the State Land Office of the State of Minnesota, do hereby declare and make known that a public sale of School Lands will be held in the undermentioned county at the time and place hereinafter designated, to wit:

STEELE COUNTY.

AT OWATONNA, THURSDAY, NOV. 2, 1865.

The following described tracts or parcels of land, viz:

OAK GLEN—TOWN 105, RANGE 19.

Parts of Sec.	Sec.		Ap'd value per Acre.	Value of imp'ts.
sw ne	16	Prairie,	$5 00	
se ne	16	"	5 00	
nw nw	16	"	5 00	
sw nw	16	"	5 00	
se nw	16	"	5 00	
ne sw	16	"	5 00	
nw sw	16	"	5 00	
sw sw	16	"	5 00	
se sw	16	"	5 00	
ne se	16	"	5 00	
nw se	16	"	5 00	
sw se	16	"	5 00	
se se	16	"	5 00	
AURORA—TOWN 106, RANGE 19.				
ne ne	36	Prairie,	6 00	
ne se	36	"	6 00	
MERTON—TOWN 108, RANGE 19.				
nw ne	16	Prairie,	5 00	
sw ne	16	"	6 00	
se ne	16	"	6 00	
ne nw	16	"	5 00	
se nw	16	"	6 00	
ne se	16	"	6 00	
se se	16	"	6 00	
ne nw	36	"	5 00	
nw nw	36	"	6 00	
sw nw	36	"	6 00	
se nw	36	"	6 00	
ne sw	36	"	6 50	
nw se	36	"	5 00	
SUMMITT—TOWN 105, RANGE 20.				
ne ne	16	Prairie,	5 00	
nw ne	16	"	5 00	
sw ne	16	"	5 00	
se ne	16	"	5 00	
ne nw	16	"	5 00	
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sw se	36	"	5 00	
se se	36	"	5 00	
SOMERSET—TOWN 106, RANGE 20.				
ne ne	16	Prairie,	5 00	
nw ne	16	"	5 00	
sw ne	16	"	5 00	
se ne	16	"	5 00	
ne nw	16	"	5 00	
sw nw	16	"	5 00	
se nw	16	"	5 00	
ne sw	16	"	5 00	
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ne se	36	"	5 00	
nw se	36	"	5 00	
sw se	36	"	5 00	
se se	36	"	5 00	
OWATONNA—TOWN 107, RANGE 20.				
sw ne	36	Prairie,	7 00	
se ne	36	"	7 00	
CLINTON FALLS—TOWN 108, RANGE 20.				
ne nw	36	Prairie,	5 50	
se nw	36	"	5 50	
BERLIN—TOWN 105, RANGE 21.				
se ne	16	Prairie,	5 00	100 00
Lot 1	16	"	5 00	80 00
Lot 2	16	"	5 00	150 00
LEMOND—TOWN 106, RANGE 21.				
ne ne	16	Prairie,	5 00	
nw ne	16	"	5 00	
sw ne	16	"	5 00	
se ne	16	"	5 00	
ne nw	16	"	5 00	
nw nw	16	"	5 00	
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sw ne	36	"	5 00	
se ne	36	"	5 00	
ne nw	36	"	5 00	
nw nw	36	"	5 50	
sw nw	36	"	5 00	
se nw	36	"	5 00	
ne sw	36	"	5 00	
nw sw	36	"	5 00	
sw sw	36	"	5 00	
se sw	36	"	5 00	
ne se	36	"	5 00	
nw se	36	"	5 00	
sw se	36	"	5 00	
se se	36	"	5 00	
MERIDEN—TOWN 107, RANGE 21.				
nw ne	16	Prairie,	6 50	
ne nw	16	"	6 50	
nw nw	16	"	5 00	
sw nw	16	"	5 00	
ne sw	16	"	6 00	
nw sw	16	"	6 00	
sw sw	16	"	6 00	
se sw	16	"	6 00	
ne se	16	"	6 00	
nw se	16	"	6 00	
sw ne	36	"	6 00	100 00
ne nw	36	"	6 00	100 00
nw se	36	"	6 00	30 00
DEERFIELD—TOWN 108, RANGE 21.				
ne sw	16	Prairie,	5 00	
nw sw	16	"	5 00	
sw sw	16	"	7 00	
se sw	16	"	6 00	
ne se	16	"	7 00	
nw se	16	"	6 00	
sw se	16	"	5 00	
se se	16	"	7 00	
MEDFORD—TOWN 108, RANGE 20.				
Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, of ne qr	16	Timber,	20 00	
Lots 1, 2, 3, 4 se qr	16	"	12 00	
Lots 9, 10, 11, 12 se qr	16	"	5 00	
Lots 13, 14, 15, 16 se q	16	"	10 00	

No lands will be sold for less than their appraised value per acre, and the right is reserved to withdraw from market any of the tracts advertised, on the day of sale.

The terms of the sale are such by law, that lands designated "Timber," seventy-five per cent. of the purchase money must be paid at the time of sale, while lands denoted "Prairie," only fifteen per cent. of the purchas money will be required. When lands are not especially valuable for timber thereon, the proportion of the purchase money required down is mentioned in the proper column. In each case, the balance of the purchase money can be paid any time thereafter, from time to time, within twenty years, at the option of the purchaser; provided interest in advance at the rate of seven per cent. per annum, on the unpaid balance is paid to the first day of June, 1866, and annually thereafter.

Purchase money payable in legal tender notes.

Persons purchasing lands upon which other parties have made improvements, will be required to pay the owner of the same the appraised value of improvements, one-half to be paid at the time of sale, and the balance within six months thereafter, with interest at seven per cent. per annum.

The offering of said lands will commence at 10 o'clock A. M., at the usual place of holding court, on the day specified, and will proceed in the order in which they are advertised, until all are offered. No sale will be kept open longer than one day, and no lands will be sold except at public sale.

CHAS. McILRATH,
Commissioner State Land Office.

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100	Gold Watches, various styles,	" 75
200	Ladies' Gold Watches,	" 50
500	Silver Watches,	each $25 to 40
1,000	Elegant Silver Plated Castor Stands	20 to 50
1,000	" " " P't & C'ke B'k's	15 to 25
2,500	setts of " " Tea Spoons	8 to 15
2,500	setts of " " Forks	8 to 15
2,000	Goblets, engraved,	4 to 8
3,000	pairs of Table Spoons	5 to 8
3,000	pairs of Salt Spoons,	3 to 5
4,500	magnificent Napkin Rings,	4 to 9
8,000	pairs Pendant Ear Drops, assort col's,	5 to 8
3,300	setts Ladies' Jewelry, imitation ivory,	5 to 10
	perfect imitation Ladies Watch,	10
10,000	Ladies' Back Combs, rich & unique pat	5 to 25
4,400	Belt Buckles, gold, jet, and vulcanite	5 to 15
6,000	latest style Vest and Neck Chains,	5 to 20
5,500	Gent's California Diamond Pins,	5 to 20
4,000	California Diamond Ear Drops,	5 to 10
3,000	Miniature & Ename'd Revolv'g Pins,	5 to 10
2,000	Califor'a Diam'd & En Gents' Sc'f Pins	5 to 10
2,000	Masonic and Emblem Pins,	3 to 10
2,500	Gold Band Bracelets, engr'd & plain,	3 to 20
3,000	Jet and Mosaic Brooches,	3 to 10
2,000	Cameo Brooches, rich pat., very tasty,	5 to 20
3,000	Coral Ear Drops,	4 to 6
2,000	Ladies' Chatelaine Ch's & Gu'd Ch's,	8 to 15
6,000	Gents' Pins, a splendid assortment,	2 to 10
4,000	Solitaire Sleeve But's, enti'y new style,	3 to 10
3,000	Studs & Sleeve But's, in setts, very rich,	3 to 10
5,000	Sleeve But's, plain, enam'd & engr'd,	2 to 8
10,000	plain & handsomely engrav'd Rings,	2 to 10
8,000	Lockets, double case, richly engraved,	2 to 10
15,000	setts Ladies' Jewelry, new & lat't styles,	6 to 12
5,000	handsome Seal Rings,	3 to 8
2,000	setts of Bosom Studs,	2 to 6
1,000	Gold Pens & Gold Extension Holders,	15 to 25
2,000	setts Jet & Gold Pins and Ear Drops,	6 to 10
2,000	Gold Thimbles, Pencils, &c.,	4 to 6
10,000	Gold Pens & handsome Silver Cases,	5 to 8
10,000	" " " Ebony Holders,	1 to 6

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Faribault, May 11. 1865. v1n52

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Owatonna, Aug. 3, 1865. v3n15tf

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J. S. DERBY.

Owatonna, April 27, 1865. v3n1tf

IN PROBATE COURT, County of Steele, ss. In the matter of the Guardianship of the minor children of Jane Chapin, deceased. On reading and filing the petition of Ezra Abbott, Guardian of said children, praying that license be to him granted to sell the following described real estate belonging to said Wards, to wit: The west fractions of lots Nos. eight and nine, in block No. nine, having one hundred feet frontage on Vine street and the same width extending north to the alley of said block, in the city of Owatonna, in said county; ordered that public notice be given to all persons interested by causing a true copy of this order to be published four weeks successively in the Plaindealer, a newspaper published at Owatonna, prior to the first Monday of September next, that all persons interested may appear at a Probate Court then to be holden at Owatonna, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of said petition should not be granted. Aug. 7, 1865.

16-4t R. G. LINCOLN, Judge of Probate.

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